





Garage and Building Destroyed by Blaze

today destroyed a two-story garage and automobile storage building at Indian Orchard (Wayne county) at an estimated loss of \$40,000.

Two automobiles and two tractors valued at \$5000 and \$1000 worth of new tires were burned.

Three fire companies from Honesdale battled the flames for several hours before bringing them under control.

The overall annual expenditures for running the United States educational system approaches \$5-billion.

Convicted Burglar Gets Jail Term

**Differ on Names**

READING, Dec. 15 (P)—An 18-year-old convicted burglar with a penchant for giving his wrong name and escaping from penal institutions today was sentenced to three to ten years in prison.

The prisoner said he was Harold G. Curtis of Bideford, Me., but Assistant District Attorney C. Wilson Austin declared the man's right name is Donald D. Nickerson.

Nickerson was arrested several months ago in Reading hospital,

charged with stealing a nurse's wrist watch. He worked there as an orderly.

Although his wrists were bandaged, Nickerson escaped from the county jail prior to sentencing. Nickerson escaped from the car of Police Chief Raymond Miller. He was recaptured several hours later and placed in the Reading jail.

Robert Jalbert, who visited Nickerson in prison the next day, was arrested and the two charged with robbery of a nearby gasoline service station. On Oct. 21, Nickerson, Jalbert and two others fled the Reading jail.

Nickerson and Jalbert remained free until mid-November when authorities nabbed them in Denver, Colo. They were injured in an attempt to avoid arrest and taken to Denver General hospital.

Nickerson, dressed only in a bathrobe, fled the hospital Nov. 24 but was recaptured a week later in Hays, Kan. Again he escaped—but only for a few hours.

Austin said Nickerson also fled a reformatory at Bideford and another institution in Cook county, Ill.

**WOMAN HURT IN CRASH**

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15 (P)—Mrs. Mary Shoemaker, 55, Philadelphia, died in Germantown hospital today of a cerebral hemorrhage suffered after a car she was driving crashed into a telephone pole.

Typesetters Return to Work in Norristown, As One Week Strike Comes to an End

NORRISTOWN, Dec. 15 (P)—Forty-three striking typesetters returned to their jobs at the Norristown Times-Herald today on what management said were "company terms"—including an open shop and the absence of a new signed contract.

The men, members of Local 620 of the AFL-International Typographers union, had been on strike for a week in a wage dispute.

W. H. Shelton, general manager of the newspaper, said the typesetters accepted management's last wage offer of \$67.50 weekly. The men had been seeking a boost from \$60 weekly to \$72.50. The open shop was not an issue, the management official said.

Shelton said no new contract will be signed with the union. He also said the newspaper had hired 12 to 15 new typesetters and commented:

"If there's work enough for all of them, we'll keep them all. If not, we'll just have to keep the best men and let the others go."

The union, which previously had held a closed shop contract with the newspaper, declined to comment on the settlement. Neither would management or the union at Allentown where 70 typesetters have been idle 12 days in an ITU-called strike against the Allentown Call-Chronicle morning, evening, and Sunday newspapers.

since under the Taft-Hartley Law the closed shop would be outlawed.

Management then refused to put the new wage scale into effect until a contract was signed. The workers walked out and began picketing the plant.

The new wage scale would have boosted weekly wages from \$67.50 to \$70 for day work and from \$73.50 to \$77 for night work.

Although typesetters stayed away from their jobs and picketed the plants, the newspapers here and at Allentown published regularly by use of a photo-engraving process.

Balance Is Distributed In William Leh Estate

**By Staff Correspondent**

NORRISTOWN, Dec. 15—A balance of \$36,204.94 in the estate of William N. Leh, Pottstown, has been awarded by Orphans Court Judge J. Burnett Holland as follows: \$2500 back to accountants for payment of possible taxes; \$11,234.98 to widow, Martha Leh; \$7489 to son, Harold Leh; \$7489.99 each to daughters, Helen Lynch and Gladys Lindauer. Mr. Leh died Dec. 5, 1946.

British Board Boosts Price of Coal 50 Cents

LONDON, Dec. 15 (P)—The national coal board tonight increased the price of coal two shillings, six pence (about 50 cents) a ton, effective Dec. 31.

The increase was intended to offset in part a weekly wage boost of ten to 15 shillings (about \$2 to \$3) granted miners in the nationalized pits the past month.

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Butter Prices  
BUTTER neared a dollar a pound in Pottstown the past week.

Prospects are higher butter prices in the weeks ahead.  
The nation's creamery butter output is now averaging less than 80 million pounds monthly and that means the lowest per capita production since 1920. Government figures show butter production to be 36 percent below the prewar, 1937-41, average. And the country now has 11 million more people than before the war.

Receipts of butter at local markets are below a year ago, a bad year itself. Only 71 million pounds of butter were in cold storage in November—about half of what is considered normal.

Why the cutback in production of the dairy fat? There are two main reasons:

1 During the war, returns to dairy farmers were exceptionally favorable in relation to the cost of feed for their cattle. However, in the past year and certainly for several months ahead, the returns from dairying will be less favorable than from hogs and beef cattle. As a result, milk production was lower in 1946 and will be lower in 1947 than in the peak year, 1945.

2 Housewives are buying more fluid milk than ever before, more ice cream, cheese, evaporated milk and dried whole milk. Consumption of these items has been going up while that of butter has fallen off, from 16.7 pounds per person in 1935-39 to 11.5 pounds estimated for 1947.

Dairy products occupy as important a place in the American diet as ever—it is just that we are changing the forms in which we eat them.

Butter probably would be higher than it is if it weren't for booming margarine production. Housewives are flocking to the vegetable product in droves. In 1939 they bought only 303 million pounds of it. Last year it was 540 million and this year it will amount to something like 740 million pounds. Retailing in the 35-to-55-cent price zone, margarine costs less than half as much as butter.

Yule Buying  
AS IS tradition, Thanksgiving marked the beginning of the Christmas buying season. Though Santa Claus will be tempered a little by high prices, Christmas buying probably will ring up new all-time dollar records this year. The reason is that the personal income of Americans has hit a \$210-billion annual rate, a record. Personal savings—often a pool into which consumers dip at Christmas time—now are at a \$12.7 billion annual rate, another record.

But while dollar volume is up, physical volume of sales is down. Inflation accounts for this phenomenon. The public isn't buying as many items as a year ago, even though it spends more dollars. So far sales are running 10 percent, dollarwise, above last year in the nation as a whole.

Fifteen percent of the annual business of many large department stores is done between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

But stores are being cautious. Despite the public's willingness to buy, they aren't letting their stocks of goods get much higher than last year. The last post-Christmas season caught merchants in some cities with excessive inventories that could be cured only by painful price markdowns.

Christmas shopping this year has some new features in addition to higher prices. Toys are more abundant, varied and of better quality. More lower-priced goods are available. There are more durables—especially household appliances. But Santa still finds cabin cruisers easier to get than motor cars.

Check of Disability Pay  
IT WOULD be interesting to know whether the Army-Navy Personnel Board would have recommended periodic re-examination for officers retired on disability pay had it not been for the disgraced Bennett E. Meyers case. The fact that Meyers was drawing \$550 a month for physical disability after doing just about everything possible to enrich himself while an Air Force procurement officer certainly is what focused public attention on the disability pay setup.

Disability pay should be just that—pay for genuine physical disability resulting from service. If the disability is cured by the passage of time, the recipient is no longer entitled to it. Furthermore, disability should be based on a percentage basis and pay should be according to the extent of the disability. The present "all or nothing" rule greatly favors officers with slight disability.

Taxpayers welcome fair disability allowances for their retired service personnel. But they resent their being taken for a pension ride. Secretary Forrestal can be sure that many citizens will be watching to see what will be disclosed by double check of the 30,000 disability pensions for retired officers.

GRAMPY CORNERS,  
December 15.  
Dear Sir n' Brother:  
Wal, I see by the papers where a new automatic machine wraps a half million sticks of gum in an eight-hour period. That's not nearly fast enough to keep up with the kids in my neighborhood.  
Children, by the way, certainly are smart these days. Junior just wrote to Santa Claus for a jet-assisted sled.  
And say: Those critics who lusted that new play "A Streetcar Named Desire," which recently played in Philadelphia, are convinced that the playwright is on the right track.  
Hopin' you air the same,  
GRAMPY NED OAKLEY

NEWSPAPERARCHIVE

## Efforts Were Made To Prevent Fold-Up

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By MERCURY READERS

The Chamber Was Active  
To the Editor: In regards to the announcement in The Mercury on December 9 on the proposed liquidation of the Pottstown Pipe Products company and the letter of Fearful ("An Industry Folds Up," Readers Say, Dec. 11):

On October 30 the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce called at the plant and conferred with Mr. Victor de Journo, manager. During conversation the Chamber's secretary again contacted the manager.

On that same date, December 10, a letter was dispatched to the firm's president, Mrs. William Seaman, at Avonmore, Pa. On December 12 we were informed Mr. Seaman was on the West coast. Several calls were also made at the union's office.

The Chamber obviously would like to see the plant continued in Pottstown. The Chamber's directors in the past have established a policy on management-labor relations "that the Chamber desires to be of service, when requested by those concerned, in any matter affecting Pottstown and its citizens."

In regards to settling industrial disputes, the conciliation services of both the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the U. S. Government are available as well as competent and experienced private consultants.

Pottstown ARTHUR K. SWITZER, President.  
Pottstown Chamber of Commerce

## The Music Critics Disagree

To the Editor: Having attended the Community Concert last Wednesday night, we were quite chagrined upon reading the Mercury's write-up on it.

In that Miss MacWatters is a truly great artist and gave a magnificent performance, we wonder why the disparaging comments and nasty slurs in each paragraph of Mr. Rosenberg's article.

Has Mr. Rosenberg selected a few phrases in the field of music and jumped at the chance of using them all at one time in a negative column?

We did not feel at any time that the artist gave "incorrect intonation," sang "too fast," "lacked musicianship," was "shrill on high notes," etc., etc.

Pottstown audiences are musically minded and appreciative. I doubt that the true music lover would express his ideas, therefore, in the manner that Mr. Rosenberg used.

We resent the totally absurd and unnecessary comments of the article. We like favorable write-ups when a person is deserving.

We note too that the only decent paragraph, or rather the one in which Mr. Rosenberg is a trifle on the positive side, is the last in which he expresses himself as to the artist's physical appearance.

It all causes us to wonder with what intent Mr. Rosenberg attends a concert—or does he really attend!

Pottstown JUDY JONES  
WILMA MACCREADY

EDITOR'S NOTE: Critic Rosenberg's paens of praise for Miss MacWatters far outnumbered his doleful notes.

## The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

DAISY G., 27, is an attractive but very shy librarian.

"Dr. Crane, I have a trouble that seems to be organic," she admitted, "but I don't seem to be able to clear it up by medical methods."

"Ever since I entered high school, I have been chronically constipated. I have eaten vegetables and fruit in order to have regularity in my diet, and have taken mineral oil and such things, but with little success."

"Dr. Crane, could my trouble have a psychological basis?"

Yes, indeed, for this modern hectic age causes many people to develop a spastic or nervous condition of the large bowel, with a resulting constipation.

For example, a few years ago I had a patient from the South who was normal until he would arrive in Chicago, but from the day of his arrival in April until his departure in the late Autumn, he'd be troubled by constipation.

As soon as he got out of Chicago, however, he'd be all right again. But the next year the same situation occurred. It had been like this for over a decade.

His trouble was based on the fact that he felt at home and relaxed in his native South, but when he came to Chicago for his business stay, he grew tense and upset. This tension produced his colitis and constipation.

But Daisy's case had another common explanation. Many of you readers will remember that in your childhood, the elementary processes were linked with sex in your mind.

Little girls as well as boys, still often think that two functions are identical. And the frequent use of the word "nasty" furthers this identification.

Daisy had indulged in self-sex practices as a child. Her mother had detected this when the girl was 13. The mother immediately made quite a scene, threatening the child with all sorts of dire calamities, such as insanity, jail, and failure to go to college and marry.

## Eisenhower Courts Grundy in Demo Coup

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15—"The" Eisenhower's hobnobbing with Pennsylvania Republicans, including such an apostle of high tariffs as "Joe" Grundy, has not prevented topnotch Democratic strategists from consideration of a plan to draft the military leader as President Truman's running mate. It is a coup de politics which figures in all their convention eve planning.

The Democrats want him on their ticket because they believe that he is the only opponent so far mentioned who can defeat Mr. Truman. They think the President could win by a narrow margin over such rivals as Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, Senator Robert Taft of Ohio, Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota and Senator Vandenberg.

But they believe they would have a battle on their hands if pitted against the Chief of Staff.

KIDNAP: Although General Eisenhower is regarded as a Republican because of his Kansas background, they point out that he has not yet declared his political affiliation. They have checked up on his career and they find no evidence that he ever showed any particular affection for the Grand Old Party.

They recognize, too, that General Eisenhower undoubtedly would prefer to seek the presidency rather than second place, and that the enemy alone can offer that temptation. But their answering argument is that, in the attempt to kidnap the military hero, they would hold out the promise of a presidential nomination in 1952.

GILT-EDGED: When it is pointed out that neither President Truman or his political board of strategy can guarantee that the 1952 convention will select General Eisenhower as their standard-bearer, they reply that such a pledge would be about as gilt-edged as any political promise can be.

Inasmuch as the leaders of all factions, and not alone the Truman dynasty, favor the scheme, they insist that the 1952 proposition would be a fairly safe gamble for such a daring and ambitious man as the Chief of Staff.

In view of their fear of an Eisenhower candidacy on the other side, and their own dearth of attractive, big-name vice-presidential possibilities, this scheme does not strike the politicians who assembled here over the Gridiron weekend as so fantastic as it seems at first blush.

SUSPICION: Meanwhile, Governor Dewey has moved fast to meet the threat of the Eisenhower boom, and to counteract reports that he is slipping from the commanding position that he has held in many public and private polls.

During his Gridiron visit at the Capital, he dined with scores of Congressmen in an attempt to discount their suspicion that he does not think so highly of their legislative achievements in the regular or the current session.

Perhaps his most sensational and revealing stroke was his dinner and conversation with Senator Vandenberg and John Foster Dulles, the Administration's Republican adviser on foreign affairs, in New York several weeks ago. The Albany man arranged the affair, and had a long, serious huddle with the GOP's foreign experts.

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## INTERPRETIVE

### Ruble Shakedown Mystery

By J. M. ROBERTS, JR.  
(Associated Press Foreign Affairs Analyst)

PEOPLE with just an ordinary understanding of economics will do just as well to sit back for a while and see what happens in Russia (as far as we will ever be permitted to see) before trying to make up their minds as to what all the flurry over the ruble is about.

The usual rules do not apply to a totalitarian economy, and the recollection of prewar predictions about the shakedown of Hitler's Germany are sufficient to cause wariness now. The real value of the ruble has been one of the "mootest" questions for a long time. There are too many variations in buying principles in Russia.

For instance, some workers are paid in "1936" rubles, worth more than inflated wartime currency. That sort of thing has been multiplied under the Russian work-card and job assignment system. Payment of wages and bonuses in goods and services has further complicated the picture.

ONLY a few things seem fairly clear. The one result overshadowing all others seems to be that the government has, by one snipe of the ether, reduced its bonded debt to the people of Russia by some two thirds. This is described as the last sacrifice the public will be called on to make for World War II.

What this means to a totalitarian government is not quite clear, since it has the power to use, and does use, all of the resources of the country for any desired purpose anyway.

It is quite possible that this mobilization of the country's wealth in government finances is calculated to create a "sounder" currency to help establish a "ruble bloc" within the Russian sphere to combat the dollar and sterling areas which are co-operating in the Marshall plan.

Also the devaluation is an admission that the vaunted totalitarian economic system is subject to the same inflationary troubles that beset the rest of the world.

ABOLITION of rationing, thrown to the public as a sort of shock absorber, doesn't seem to mean much. Regardless of rationing, Russia just doesn't have enough consumer goods. No monetary juggling can offset that. Even with comparatively good crops this year, Russia doesn't and never has produced enough food. Her people, in the best times, can never eat as well as do the other peoples of the western world even in the worst depressions.



## Hollywood

By EDITH GWYNN

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 15—Edward G. Robinson and Claire Trevor have just been handed leading roles in "Key Largo" which co-stars H. Bogart and Lauren Bacall—giving that opus quite a cast—quite a cast.

Those disturbing rumors about Deanna Durbin and Felix Jackson are making the Hollywood rounds. Is someone grooming Preston Foster for a singing cowboy series? He's been practicing on his "geetar" like crazy lately.

Bill Burton and Marg Wood have a date with the Stork. Jimmy Durante, Garry Moore, Jane Powell and Harold Arlen helped Atwater Kent entertain for his annual Christmas party for the Braille Institute for the Blind.

With the smash success that Irene Selznick's production of "A Streetcar Named Desire" (by Tennessee Williams) is scoring on Broadway, Dean Clark in Hollywood, is biding his fingernails right down to the knuckles. Because he was approached to be in the show, wanted to do it, but couldn't beg time off from Warners. So what happens? He's been sitting around for the last two months doing nothing! Bette Davis is another who read that same great play-script with more than a little yearning to return to the stage. No soap.

Robert Mitchum goes into the hospital for that nose-operation the minute "Tall, Dark Stranger" is finished. Nothing plastic. Purely surgical to improve his ventilation. Gail Russell and Jack Sassoon have resumed their pub-crawling. Mimi Chandler, daughter of baseball's commissioner, "Happy" Chandler, comes back to Filmland this week to test for the leading female role in "The Babe Ruth Story" which Roy del Ruth will direct.

Sally Eilers showed at Ciro's with Harry Morse. At long last Lloyd Nolan will get the co-star billing he deserves when "A Street With No Name" hits the theaters. Co-star being Mark Stevens. The MacDonald Careys have sold their Hollywood home to Martha Scott and Mel Powell who move in next month.

Swedish Viveca Lindgren (she's Warner's answer to Ingrid Bergman) is going to divorce her husband, Folke Rogard. She's currently playing opposite Errol Flynn in "Don Juan."

Walter Winchell is going to produce a picture at 20th-Fox—maybe a whole flock of 'em! Jane Russell has been out shooting ducks with the Ernest Hemingways up at Sun Valley, while photographers were looking for Jane. Oh, well—they wouldn't have recognized her anyway—she was all bundled up to her chin.

Danny Thomas goes into the hospital as soon as he completes "The Big City" to have his tonsils removed. LeRoy Prinz, the dance-director is off to Bogota, Colombia, to hunt jaguars. Nice change from a chorus line. Warners have a color short on the fire about the famous baby photographer, Constancia Bannister, called "Babies by Bannister."

Tomorrow's Problem  
10 8 4 2  
9 8 7 6 5  
None  
A 9 6 4

7 6 3  
10 4  
5 4 3  
J 8 7 5  
2

9  
A K J 9  
3 2  
A Q J  
K Q 10

A K Q J 5  
None  
K 10 9 8 7 6 2  
3

(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)  
What is South's sound play for 3-spades doubled by East and redoubled by himself, after the heart 10 is led?

Bridge  
By SHEPARD BARCLAY  
Not Exactly The Same

WITH certain combinations of cards in a suit, there is apparently no difference at all between the results from leading either of two different cards of a solid sequence to the first trick. Deeper study, however, will show that there is all the difference in the world. One lead makes it a sure thing that you can take every trick in the suit, whereas the other risks the loss of a trick. The finest players study such combinations away from the table, so they can recognize them and save time in the actual game.

South saw at once after West led the heart K that he stood to lose two tricks, one in spades and one in diamonds, if West had all four missing trumps. He therefore could not afford to drop one in clubs. Working in that direction, he ruffed the opener, scored the diamond A to confirm his diagnosis of East having no trumps, took the K to, then let the spade J close to the Q. He ruffed the returned heart, used the diamond Q and led to the spade A.

Ready now for the tricks that if East had the K, since his secondary sequence was from the Q to the 9, and he could keep the lead in the dummy for two tricks by underplaying the J with the 10. It seemed to make no difference whether he led the 9 first to follow with the 10 if East did not cover. So he put forth the J, East playing the 4 and the 10 being put on. Then the 9 was covered by the K and the A. All too late he saw that, after the Q won, he would have to give up the 3 to the 8. He of course had to lose the setting trick then, to the diamond J.

Now notice what would have happened if he had led the 9 to the first club trick. No matter what East did, that would have enabled South to get all the club tricks. Why don't you get the pertinent clubs out of a deck, set them up as shown, and follow through to see how and why the 9 is a winning first lead and the J a losing move.

6 7 3  
10 4  
5 4 3  
J 8 7 5  
2

9  
A K J 9  
3 2  
A Q J  
K Q 10

A K Q J 5  
None  
K 10 9 8 7 6 2  
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Ready now for the tricks that if East had the K, since his secondary sequence was from the Q to the 9, and he could keep the lead in the dummy for two tricks by underplaying the J with the 10. It seemed to make no difference whether he led the 9 first to follow with the 10 if East did not cover. So he put forth the J, East playing the 4 and the 10 being put on. Then the 9 was covered by the K and the A. All too late he saw that, after the Q won, he would have to give up the 3 to the 8. He of course had to lose the setting trick then, to the diamond J.

Now notice what would have happened if he had led the 9 to the first club trick. No matter what East did, that would have enabled South to get all the club tricks. Why don't you get the pertinent clubs out of a deck, set them up as shown, and follow through to see how and why the 9 is a winning first lead and the J a losing move.

6 7 3  
10 4  
5 4 3  
J 8 7 5  
2

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A K J 9  
3 2  
A Q J  
K Q 10

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None  
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(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)  
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## In Retrospect

50 Years Ago  
December 16, 1897  
DIGGING FOR GOLD—Gold digging will start in a few days on the farm of J. W. Bauman, Sassafrasville, who found some of the precious metal while excavating for a well. The metal was declared to be gold by John A. Selinger, Desher Bros., of Belvidere. N. J., took out a 25-year lease on the premises.

WILD ANIMAL HUNT—The Rattlesnake Hill Hunting club was out on Pool Hill yesterday. They started a fox which had been shot by Milton Hornberger fired a shot at the fox and the gun burst, rendering Hornberger senseless for two hours. Klyder Schwenk had a leg injured in a fall in a fox hole. John W. Leffel was also on the hunt.

FIRE DESTROYS DOUBLE HOUSE—The double house at 897-69 South street was destroyed by flames early this morning. Households of C. B. Uffelman and Mrs. Sarah A. Borer occupied the homes. Grant M. Koons was injured when a roof fell in while he was fighting the flames. Howard Malsberger, who accompanied Koons, was uninjured.

VETERANS HOLD BANQUET—Veterans Legion Encampment held a banquet last evening at John E. Gilbert's cafe. Col. Commander P. Wiley Reagan was master of ceremonies. Caterers were Lewis W. Dyer and William J. Neiman.

25 Years Ago  
December 16, 1922  
BANKER PASSES AWAY—George N. Malsberger, 62, died last night at his home, 238 Breach street, following a long illness. Born in Pottstown, he was a son of the late Henry Malsberger. For 21 years he was president of the Security Trust company.

CREEK DAMMING CHARGE—Charged with illegally changing the course of tributaries of Swamp creek, J. B. Gruber, Gilbertsville, is scheduled for a hearing before Judge E. J. Egbert, Norristown. The charge is preferred by the State Fish and Game commission.

CHURCH PASTOR DIES—Rev. Thomas T. Davis, 86, pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. church, Beech and Franklin streets, died at his home, 327 Grant street. He was a barber by trade.

10 Years Ago  
December 16, 1937  
NEW HOSPITAL HEAD—Miss Mabel Green, of Syracuse, N. Y., was elected superintendent of Homeopathic hospital succeeding Mrs. Dorothy Wagner Thalmor, who resigned.

READING PRIZE AWARDS—Berrymann Breedin and Miss Ada Spieth were given reading awards last night by the Pottstown Public Library board.

PLAYGROUND NEEDS—The Kiwanis club was told last night by John S. Kiefer, Philadelphia recreation expert, that trained leadership and supervision are more needed for playgrounds than material facilities.

COUNTRY CLUB OFFICERS—Following officers of the Brookside Country club were elected last night: George A. Lessig, president; Franklin A. Wertz and Donnell Marshall, vice presidents; Herman R. Leslie, secretary, and George T. Arms, treasurer. A big New Year's Eve party is being planned with Floyd Seeders, committee chairman.

YOUR HEALTH  
By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M. D.  
THE ears are subject to germ assault, both from within and without. This accounts for the fact that the two basic types of ear infections are seasonal.

In Winter, when colds are prevalent, germs from the nasal passages are likely to travel up the tube which connects the ears with the throat and set up a secondary infection in some part of the ear. These germs are usually of the variety known as gram-positive organisms.

During the Summer, because that is the season for open-air bathing, ear infection is usually acquired from without by contact with polluted water during swimming. The trouble-makers in these cases are of the gram-negative kind.

One type is just as dangerous as the other; gram-negative and gram-positive refer only to the method we have of staining the germs so that they can be seen under the microscope. However, germs in the two categories are different in that the sulfonamide drugs and penicillin will attack and kill the gram-positive germs. The gram-negative germs are not too well controlled by these drugs.

Recently, however, Drs. Merrill B. Hayes and W. Fremont, who have obtained most encouraging results in treating infections caused by gram-negative germs with a drug with a long and ferocious name, dibromosalicylaldehyde.

Since one infection seems to prepare the ground for another, patients with an old ear infection, or a chronic running ear, are likely to be harboring germs of both varieties. Thus, the treatment used in this condition was directed at both kinds of organisms.

Such patients were given penicillin by injection into a muscle every three hours until the gram-positive germs disappeared. The attack was then begun on the gram-negative organisms. The ear was cleaned and washed out once or twice a day with a solution of dibromosalicylaldehyde. Following each washing of the ear, a powder containing the same drug, in addition to borax and talc, was blown into the ear.

In treating inflammation of the external ear canal, the tissues were cleaned as thoroughly as possible, and then a piece of gauze saturated with the dibromosalicylaldehyde was put into the ear canal. This was left in place for from one to three days, then removed, and another piece of gauze inserted.

Occasionally a patient complains of a burning sensation which persists as long as three hours after the gauze is put into the ear. Often, one treatment is sufficient in these cases.



# State Tax Unit Says County Assessments Of School Districts Less Than True Value

HARRISBURG Dec 15 (P)—The State's new tax equalization board studied preliminary data today showing that county assessment values are less than the true market value in almost all of the State's 2543 school districts.

Set up by the 1947 legislature the new board is directed to compile data on the market value of real estate for each one of the State's school districts to be used in place of assessments starting July 1, 1949, in calculating State grants for education.

Chairman G. Gravill Diehm said the board already has decided to speed up its study of opening offices here and in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh as soon as qualified personnel can be obtained. No appointments have been made so far, however.

Data already compiled shows that only 78 of the State's school districts have assessments which would result in no change in the amount of State education subsidies in the switch to the market value method of determining individual grants at the present scale of payments.

The purpose of the new board is to eliminate unfair distribution of State subsidies among school districts and force local officials to assess real estate at market value, or accept the alternative of lower grants.

The seriousness of any reductions will depend upon the assessment practices prevailing in various districts.

For example, an average school district's appropriation per teaching unit would be slashed \$720 if real estate is assessed at one-third of market value.

School allocations are based on legislatively designated equalization level, local tax rate, real estate assessments and the number of teaching units in a district.

State subsidies are based on the difference between the equalization level (\$2300 per teaching unit for the year 1947-48) and the yield of a six-mill tax on the assessed valuation of real estate.

For example, a school district with five teaching units and real estate assessed at an average of \$100,000 a teaching unit would receive \$1600 a unit or \$8000 for the district this year and \$1700 a unit next year under the present system.

However, if a study of assessments disclosed they were only 50

percent of true market values subsidies would be based upon \$200,000 a teaching unit instead of \$100,000, resulting in grant of only \$1200 a unit when the maximum goes to \$2400 a unit for the 1948-49 school year, payable in 1949.

It does not follow that school districts will raise assessments to maintain present subsidies. Some of them may decide to get additional needed revenue from sources other than real estate by taking advantage of a new law authorizing them to tax anything not now taxed by the State.

In addition to Diehm, the members of the board are Walter Kiess and Edwin Wunner.

## Army Reserve Groups To Meet Here Tonight

Pottstown's Army Reserve units will meet at 8 o'clock tonight in the YMCA building.

Lt. L. C. MacMullen Jr. will speak on gunnery and materiel before the meeting of Battery A, 904th Field Artillery Battalion, while the joint meeting of the 865th Replacement Company and the 236th Organized Reserve Composite group will be addressed by Col. C. H. Harberger on combat and orders, with a film on the same topics to follow.

In Peru are great walls built by the Incas in which there is no mortar out with stones fitted so closely that a knife blade cannot be inserted between them.

## Lions' Kiddies to See Santa at Mule Party

Santa Claus in person will be the star attraction at the Lions' club kiddies' Christmas party in the Elks' home at 6 45 o'clock tonight.

He will be assisted in spreading good cheer by the Jacobs family and by Charlotte Anderson and Sarah Chancellor presenting magical illusions.

The Lions, their wives and their children will join in community singing of Christmas carols at the party.

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## Telephone Operator Honored by Company At Annual Banquet

Mrs. Marie Leimbach, Birdsboro telephone operator, was honored for performing services beyond the call of duty at the annual employees' meeting and banquet of Conestoga Telephone company the past Friday night in the Washington house near Berchtelsville.

Mrs. Leimbach was honored by J. K. Stoltzfus, manager of the company, for summoning physicians to a home where a young girl had been fatally shot the past Nov. 5, by her brother.

Principal speaker was Wilfred D. Gillen, vice president in charge of operations of Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania. He was until recently general manager of the central area for the company at Harrisburg. A demonstration of behind-the-scenes developments in Bell telephone laboratories was given by William Welch, assistant to the vice president of Bell system.

Present were numerous telephone company officials from Reading, Pottstown, Harrisburg, West Chester, Myerstown, Ephrata, and New Holland. Several of the company's employees furnished humorous entertainment and the Birdsboro Male chorus sang. A colored motion picture of Philadelphia was shown.

William H. Reifsnnyder Jr., a member of the board of directors of the host company from Boyertown, was master of ceremonies. The Rev. D. F. Longacre, pastor of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church, Boyertown, gave the invocation.

## High School Notes

Boyertown schools have enrolled 100% in the American Junior Red Cross. It was announced yesterday morning in the weekly student assembly by George B. Schneider, supervising principal of Boyertown schools.

Swineheart said that a check for \$12.10 will be forwarded to headquarters as the contribution of students of the high school and Lincoln and Washington elementary schools. Philip West, chairman of the Red Cross council in the high school, was in charge of the drive.

Boyertown High will meet Amity High tonight in both varsity and junior varsity contests on the Boyertown floor. First game is scheduled to start at 7 p. m.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Among marriage license applications recently registered in Reading are the following: Randall L. Weller, 20, of Boyertown, and Shirley M. Latschaw, 17, also of Boyertown; and Linwood S. Boyer, 27, of Boyertown RD 2, and Eva E. F. Griesmer, 28, of Shanesville.

## Boyertown Classified

**Deaths**  
HOFFMAN—In Boyertown on Sunday, Dec. 14, 1947, Anna S. (Landis), widow of Clement D. Hoffman, aged 80 years. Relatives and friends are invited to services from the Schwenk funeral home 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, Friday at 2 p. m. Interment in Fairview cemetery. Friends may call Thursday evening 7 to 9 o'clock. (Schwenk)

ROMIG—Near Gabelsville, on Saturday, Dec. 13, 1947, Clara H. (Angstadt), wife of Llewellyn M. Romig, aged 70 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwenk funeral home 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, Pa., on Thursday at 2 p. m. Interment in Fairview cemetery. Friends may call Wednesday evening 7 to 9. (Schwenk)

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## Philadelphia Businessman Tells Rotarians If China Falls, the United States Will Fall

"If China falls, America falls."

So said Alfred L. Baker, of Philadelphia, before the Rotary club in Boyertown last night as he spoke on "China Today. Through a businessman's eyes."

Baker lashed out at Chinese communists who, as communists, are demoralizing China today and deliberately making her look chaotic, he alleged. "We've got the feeling China is all washed up because of chaos there," Baker said but he went on to say that this is not the case.

"China today has the best government she has had for 300 years," the world traveler added, in praising the regime of Chiang Kai-shek. The Chinese Communists offered Chiang their army to fight for China against the Japanese invaders, Baker said, but he charged that they never planned to carry out this promise. Instead, he alleged, their plan was to throw Manchuria, North China, and Mongolia to Russia.

Baker, who recently returned from a trip to post-war China, lashed out at American foreign policy which he intimated was insincere and muddled. "All through the war, we were very lax in giving China any aid," said Baker, blaming this on Russia.

The New Deal, Baker alleged, was pro-Soviet and he blamed the late President Roosevelt for bungling in China and the Near East. He charged that instead of a gigantic TVA for the Middle East and eventually the late President hoped to convert Stalin himself from Communism to democracy, the speaker stated.

"We allowed the Russians in Manchuria; we allowed them in Korea, thereby making it impossible to stabilize the Chiang Nationalist government," said Baker.

The speaker criticized U. S. policy of sending what he termed New Dealers to China in an effort to force liberal thought and government on China; something which the Chinese even today lack the capacity to make function, Baker added.

The Department of State came in for its share of criticism at the hands of the speaker. His chief charge here was the belief that the United States is trying to build up Japan as a buffer state against Russia in the same way that pre-war England tried to build up Germany against Russia. To combat this, Baker urged that the U. S. occupation forces in Japan be used to strengthen China.

He urged Rotarians present to do everything in their power to bring pressure to bear on the State department to force Russian recognition of Chiang Kai-shek's National government in fact as well as in theory.

Preceding the political aspects of his remarks, Baker told Rotarians of Chinese inflation today. In China recently, the exchange rate was 12,000 Chinese dollars to one

## PERSONALS

Mrs. James S. Stettler, and daughter Barbara, of Middletown, are in Boyertown to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Stettler's parents Mr. and Mrs. William J. Carrington, 27 South Chestnut street. Mrs. Stettler is the former Merrill Carrington.

Walter W. Davidheiser, 528 East Fourth street, painfully injured his back in a fall the past Saturday in Holyoke, Mass., where he and Mrs. Davidheiser were visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Captain and Mrs. Harry Yoder. Mrs. Davidheiser remained in Holyoke to visit with Captain and Mrs. Yoder but Davidheiser is back in Boyertown.

Elaine Hart, of Philadelphia, and Marlin Klinger, of McClure, were weekend guests at the home of Klinger's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Fleming, 23 West Second street.

## Boyertown Takes On New Christmas Look

Despite no official Christmas decorations by the borough, Boyertown is gradually taking on a "new look"—Christmas, this time.

The front of Friendship Hook and Ladder company has been decorated with colored light bulbs and a large star graces the top of the building. Christmas trees appeared for sale in the borough for the first time yesterday.

U. S. dollar. Today, he said, the rate is 123,000 to one. Such a wild inflationary spiral makes carrying a briefcase full of money a necessity, Baker added. A rickshaw ride from his hotel to the business district cost \$5,000 in Chinese money and a cup of coffee \$6,000.

## Evangelical Church Lists Dawn Service For Christmas Day

Christmas programs in Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed, will be climaxed by the annual dawn and candle-lighting service on Christmas day at 6 a. m. All choirs will meet on Friday at 7:30 p. m., according to an announcement by Mrs. May Fisher, organist and choir director. Preparations will be made for the Christmas morning dawn service at this meeting.

The white gift service for intermediates to the adult departments inclusive, in the church school will be held on Sunday at 9 a. m. in the church sanctuary. Charles Trout Jr., a student at Ursinus college, Collegeville, will be in charge. He will offer the prayer and make the announcements. Assisting will be Patsy Landis, Albert Leidy, Jackie Weller, and Carl J. Trout, who will lead the responsive reading.

Representatives of church school departments will bring forward their white gift offering and these will then be dedicated by the pastor, the Rev. Harper L. Schneek. For members of the church school from the beginners to the junior department, motion pictures on "Believe in Christmas," "Womel-dorf," will be shown at the same time in the Sunday school rooms.

The service of infant baptism will be held on Sunday at 10:15 a. m., with the Rev. Mr. Schneek in charge. The annual children's Christmas program by members of Primary, Beginners, and Junior departments will also take place on Sunday at 7 p. m. in the church sanctuary. Final rehearsal for this event is scheduled for the Sunday school room on Saturday at 1:30 p. m.

Members of the church will sing carols throughout the borough on Christmas eve. The choir cantata and carol sing will be held in the church on Sunday, Dec. 28, at 7:30 p. m.

Santa Claus will be present at the Churchmen's Brotherhood Christmas party tonight at 7:30 p. m. All men present will bring a man's present while women will bring women's gifts. Children will be entertained by the brotherhood. The Rev. John B. Frantz, of Pottstown, will be speaker.

Because of British export restrictions rubber prices jumped from 10 cents a pound in 1920 to \$1.23 a pound in 1925.

## MEETINGS

Churchmen's Brotherhood of Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed, will meet at 7:30 o'clock. Speaker, the Rev. John B. Frantz, of Pottstown. Christmas party will be held.

Girl Scouts of Troop 11 Boyertown tonight at 7 o'clock in Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed.

Christmas party by Washington School PTA tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the school.

Boyertown Lodge 708 IOOF tonight at 7:30 o'clock in IOOF hall.

Boyertown Service Mothers, Wives and Sisters tonight at 8 o'clock in American Legion home.

## Rod and Gun Club Lists

### Annual Meeting, Jan. 11

The annual meeting of Boyertown Rod and Gun club will be held on Sunday, Jan. 11, at 1 p. m. in the Rains room of the Keystone Fire company. It was announced at a recent club meeting.

Highlighting the annual session will be election of officers. A motion picture program for the afternoon has been arranged. Refreshments will be served.

The proceeds from a hanging board and flying board shoot scheduled for the clubhouse on Saturday at 1 p. m. will be used to purchase rabbits. It was announced at the meeting. The game committee also announced release of 24 rabbits furnished by State game authorities the past week near Cannon hill area and Englewood. William Miller, chairman of the committee, was in charge.

David Fegley, president of the club, presided at Friday night's meeting.

## Appraisers Are Named For M. H. Ritter Estate

William H. Reifsnnyder Jr. and Charles Hartman, of Boyertown, were appointed appraisers in the estate of Mary H. Ritter, Colebrookdale township to value real estate accepted by the husband, William M. Ritter, on account of his \$5,000 allowance. Attorneys are Body, Muth, and Rhoda.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCED

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Horn, 41 East Fifth street, Boyertown, in Reading hospital. Mrs. Horn was the former Marion Weidner.

## Trinity Congregation Plans Yule Program

Christmas will be observed in Trinity Evangelical Congregational Church, South Washington street, on Sunday with a special program by the Sunday school at 9 a. m. and a candlelight service at 7:30 p. m. The public is invited to both, according to an announcement by the pastor, the Rev. W. F. Bowers.

The morning service follows: Song by school, "Joy to the World"; scriptures and prayer; class roll call and offering; recitation, "A Welcome," Harold Leimbach Jr.; exercise, "Star of the Ages," by Virginia Bickle, reader; Sandra Schultz, Sandra Horn, Garnet Bishe and Gail Marsh; song by school, "Silent Night," exercise, "Why Do We Have Christmas?" by Henry Marsh, Sandra Kline, David Reinert, William Schultz, Sandra Horn and Sandra Schultz and recitation, "Trust in Him," by Garnet Bishe.

Also exercise, "A Gift for Him," by Henry Marsh, Sandra Horn, Harold Leimbach Jr., David Reinert, Garnet Bishe and Paul Kline; recitation, "Somebody Cared at Christmas," Rodney Bowers; selection, "Why the Children Are Singing," by Primary department; recitation, "Always and Forever," Judith Stauffer; exercise, "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us," by Rodney Bowers, Judith Stauffer, Sue Ann Losh, Sandra Kline, Marlene Crim, Rhea West and Margaret Schultz; song by school, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," dialog, "At the Manger," Barbara Reinert, speaker, and Fern Bickle, as Mary; exercise, "Which Candle Do You Want?" Shirley Miller, Barbara Reinert, Randolph Stauffer and Harold Bishe; closing song, "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

The candlelight service will include an organ and piano prelude of Christmas music; a processional, "O Come, All Ye Faithful," by Junior and Senior choirs; "O Little Town of Bethlehem," by Junior choir; solo, "Away in a Manger," by Rodney Bowers; "First Noel," by Senior choir; soprano solo, "Gesu Bambino," Mrs. Russell Schaeffer; selection, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," by a brass quartet; soprano solo, "Stranger of Galilee," by Dorothy Shinn; anthem, "Beautiful Savior," by Senior choir with Miss Shinn as soloist; offertory by brass quartet, and baritone solo, "O Holy Night," by the Rev. Mr. Bowers pastor, and "Silent Night," by Ladies quartet.

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| Seeded Raisins | 11-oz pks          | 14c                 |     |
| Currents       | Fancy              | 7-oz pks            | 15c |
| Pitted Dates   | 7 1/2-oz pks       | 23c                 |     |
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## Variances to Open Two Shops Asked At Board Hearing

Two requests for variances from the zoning ordinance were placed before the borough zoning board of adjustment when the group met in borough hall last night.

Veda Bensley, of 608 Glasgow street, requested permission to alter her newly-purchased property at 60 South Adams street as a beauty shop.

She has her State owner's and operator's licenses, she told the board, and is awaiting vacation of the house by its present occupants.

Robert A. Quakenbos, of Pottstown RD 3, asked permission to build a machine shop on the south side of Reynolds avenue, approximately one and one-half blocks east of Manatawny street.

Quakenbos, the 16-year-old son of Robert H. Quakenbos, who owns the land, said he intended to do light welding and small, general repairs in the proposed shop, which would be situated the equivalent of three city blocks from his home.

His father declared that he had given his son permission to build on this land, but that the boy would pay the costs of constructing the shop.

Borough Manager Dow I. Sears, the board secretary, promised both petitioners quick decisions on their pleas.

Present last night also were Jay H. Rinehart, George C. Peacock and Building Inspector Arthur S. Kepner.

## Children Feted At Trinity Church

More than 100 children of the Trinity Reformed Sunday school braved the inclement weather last night to attend the annual children's Christmas party, sponsored by the Mothers' class of the Sunday school. The affair was held in the Sunday school room.

Rev. John B. Frantz, pastor, led the group in the singing of Christmas carols. Mrs. J. A. Climenhaga, Stowe, former missionary to Africa, told how Christmas is observed among the Christians in Africa, and gave a demonstration of certain items of clothing worn by children there. Motion pictures, appropriate to the season, were shown by John S. Blum.

Serving as Santa Claus, J. Russell Geiger Sr., arrived in full attire to distribute gifts to all the children assembled. Refreshments were served by a committee which included Mrs. Ernest Weikel, Mrs. Earl Olinger, Mrs. William Reinbauer and Mrs. Charles Ulrich.

The Christmas party was planned and presented by a committee from the Mothers' class which included Mrs. Bertha Stephens, Mrs. George Haws, Mrs. Lewis Fryer, Mrs. Robert Meloy and Mrs. Carl Mentzer.

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## False Alarm Answered At Franklin, Oak

A false alarm from Box 79 brought apparatus from Pottstown's three fire companies to Franklin and Oak streets shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The prankster called out the speeding equipment to the streets just as the supper hour was at its height. At the intersection of Hanover and King streets, an autoist who ignored an oncoming ambulance narrowly averted a collision by swerving around the corner.

## Collins' Attorney Talks With Officials About Full Pardon

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 15 (P)—An attorney representing James Robert Collins conferred with Alabama authorities today and said afterward the escaped convict who became a successful business man in Quakertown, Pa., would "in time" apply for a pardon.

Collins, who was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1928 for participating in a \$100,000 bank robbery in which a banker was killed, escaped from prison in 1936 and was recaptured two months ago in Pennsylvania.

During the nearly 12 years as a fugitive, he had married and established a business in Quakertown, and although extradition proceedings were started to return him to Alabama, Gov. James E. Folsom refused to sign the papers and Collins was released.

His attorney, C. William Freed, talked today with Miss Annie Lola Price, a legal assistant to Gov. Folsom, and also to State Prison Director Frank Boswell. He did not confer with members of the pardon-parole board, but said he would "later."

Under Alabama law, only the board can grant a pardon or parole. "Just when Collins will apply for a pardon had not been determined," Freed said, "but he will in time."

Boswell said he explained to the attorney that he could do nothing, but added: "If it were in my power, I would parole the boy under the circumstances."

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## Patrolman Lawler Is Graduated From Criminology School

Pottstown Motor Patrolman Thomas A. Lawler was presented a graduation certificate last night by Burgess William A. Griffith at commencement exercises of the Pennsylvania Institute of Criminology held in Philadelphia.

Lawler, who had taken the nine-week night course under the GI Bill of Rights, was among nearly 200 police and detectives from four states who graduated from the PIC.

His course in fingerprinting included work in the complicated Batteley system, which can give positive identification from one fingerprint, and in the lifting of prints from paper by a new iodine blower.

Lawler, who is instructor in the Pottstown Fire Police association, did not take other courses offered because he had completed this training while a State trooper.

Police Chief James A. Laughead was a guest with Burgess Griffith at the exercises attended by law enforcement officials including John Maurer, Philadelphia district attorney.

## TWO CITIES THREATENED

NANKING, Dec. 15 (P)—Chinese Communist forces closely threatened the important cities of Kaifeng and Chonghsien in Honan province today, and pro-government reports said fighting was general over a wide area of central China.

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### 4 Dead, 19 Missing AS Tankers Collide Near West Indies

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 (AP) — Four persons were known to have perished and 19 were missing after a pre-dawn collision today between two tankers, one laden with high octane aviation gasoline, off Curacao, Dutch West Indies.

Mobilized tugs and fire-fighting technicians battled into the night to subdue flames aboard the 5810-ton Argentine tanker, Los Pozos, its cargo of ballast afloat.

Twelve men were reported missing from the Los Pozos which, dispatches from Willemstad, Curacao, said, normally carried a crew of approximately 43. It had not been determined whether any crew members still were aboard the vessel.

The dispatches said the Los Pozos left Buenos Aires Nov. 23 en route to Willemstad to pick up a cargo of petroleum. The vessel collided with the gas-laden Venezuelan tanker, Tucupita, a converted LST.

Twenty-nine of the 39 men on the Tucupita were rescued, including four injured. Seven were missing.

The vessel was temporarily abandoned late today because of the danger resulting from its cargo.

Survivors from both vessels were taken off by the shell tanker Marianna, a motor lifeboat from the Norwegian tanker Bergeland and harbor craft.

Bananas are kept at between 58 and 65 degrees Fahrenheit during shipment.

### FOREIGN RELIEF —

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able the benefitting countries to resist Communist pressure while long-term assistance is being debated.

The bill does not allocate any particular sum to any of the four countries, and Senate debate today underlined the possibility that China may be left out of the program when appropriations committees make their allocations.

Appropriations committee members told newsmen a reduction of \$88,000,000 probably will be recommended in the President's budget estimate of \$597,000,000 for aid to France, Italy and Austria. The committee is scheduled to act on the bill tomorrow.

Before the Senate voted, Vandenberg said China "richly deserves" American help but declared it would be futile to grant it unless the Administration brings forward a definite program.

"Money without a plan is rathole money," said the Michigan senator, who as chairman of the foreign relations committee quarterbacked the relief measure through the Senate.

Chairman Bridges (R-NH), of the Senate appropriations committee, asserted that "if there is any policy which this Government has bungled for years, it is the China policy."

In reconciling Senate-House differences on the conduct and scope of the program, the conference committee agreed upon these major points:

1. The President is required to retain at least 150,000,000 bushels of wheat, flour and other wheat products in this country as a "carry-over" from the 1947 crop for domestic use, unless he determines on or after next March 1 that a stockpile of this size is unnecessary.
2. In addition to grain, fuel and fertilizer—the primary requirements of the recipient countries—incentive goods such as cigarettes, shoes and clothing, and grain substitutes such as dried eggs, dried fruits and other foods in surplus may be shipped. These will be used as bonuses to induce farmers and factory workers abroad to produce more.

The United States produces more English walnut than any other country, about 70,000 tons annually.

### HOLY LAND —

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and frightened workers remained in their homes.

Jewish and foreign communities were the hardest hit by the food shortage since these settlements depend on modern transportation methods. Arabs with their donkeys and camels continued to bring food from Arab farms to their own people.

Although Jews and Arabs continued their attacks on each other, the day was classed as the quietest Palestine has experienced since the United Nations General assembly voted for partition on Nov. 29.

An Associated Press tabulation showed 249 persons had lost their lives in Palestine in fighting touched off by the partition vote. The toll for the entire Middle East was 370.

Jews struck back at Arab road transport in retaliation for the machinegunning yesterday of a seven-car Jewish convoy by soldiers of the Trans-Jordan Arab legion.

### PRICE BILL —

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the Democratic leader, shouted to the Republicans:

"If this bill is voted down, it will be your responsibility if no other legislation is presented."

Reading part of the bill, he said: "Listen to the National Association of Manufacturers."

Speaker Martin (R-Mass) told reporters that "it is very doubtful that anything now can be done about economic legislation at the special session."

As soon as the vote was known, Representative Patman (D-Tex) made public an Administration proposal for wholesale price controls, plus possible retail controls if the wholesale restrictions do not work.

The United States has a 99-year lease on air bases in Newfoundland.

### PLANE MISSING

FRANKFURT, Germany, Tuesday, Dec. 15 (AP)—The United States Air Force said early today a C45 transport plane with two persons known to be aboard was overdue at Wiesbaden air base.

Production of commercial oxygen in the United States now amounts to some 14 billion cubic feet annually.

### Pottstown Quoit Club Christmas Party

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 Wednesday Night, Dec. 17th, 7:30 P.M.

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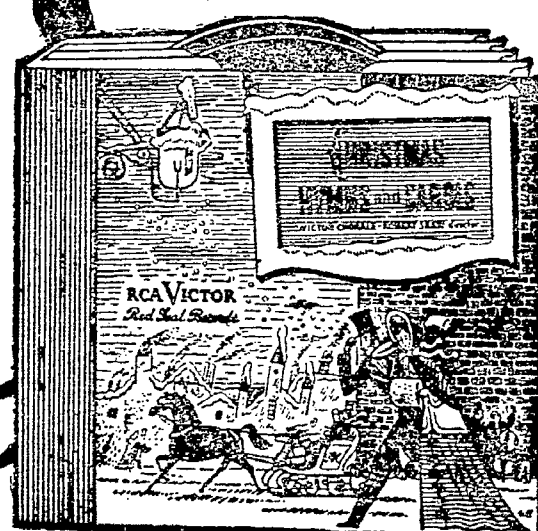


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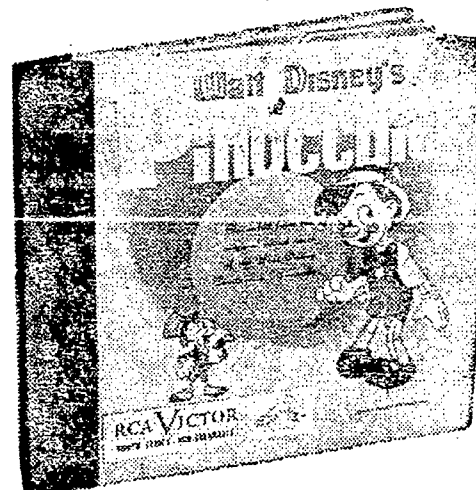
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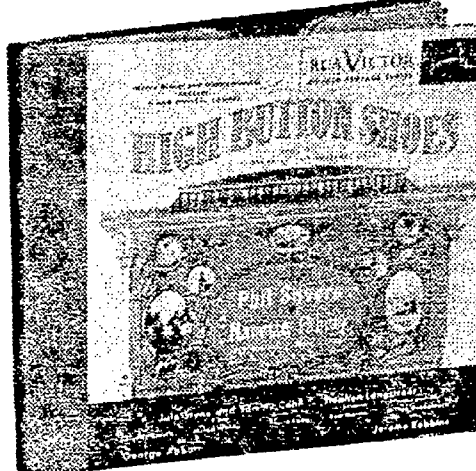
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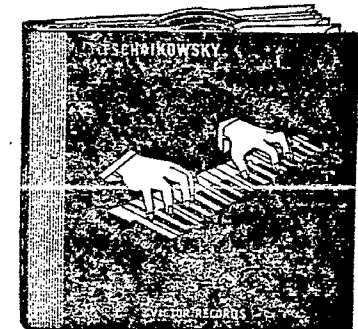
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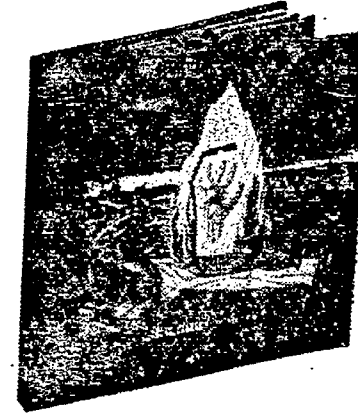
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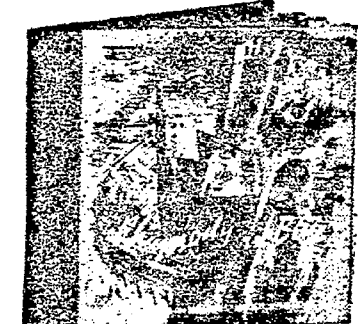


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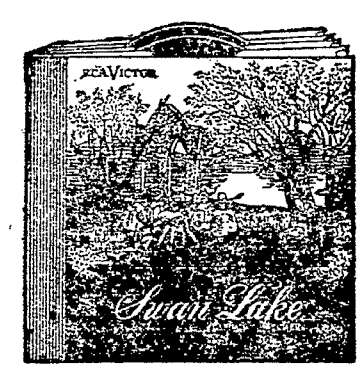
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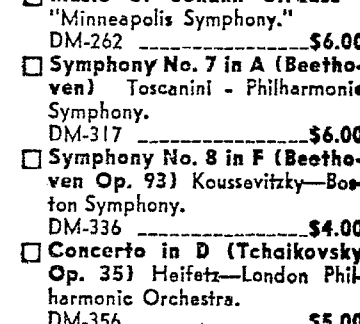
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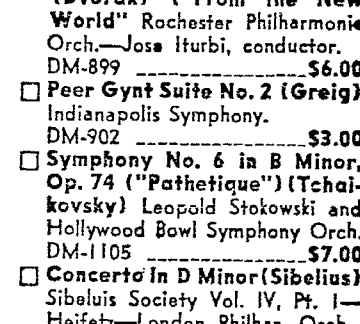
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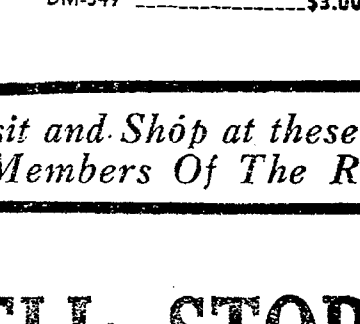
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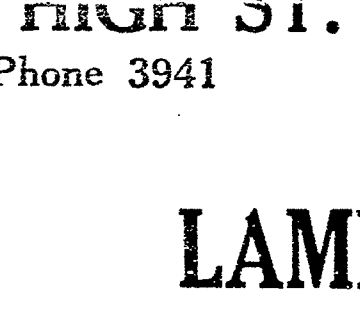
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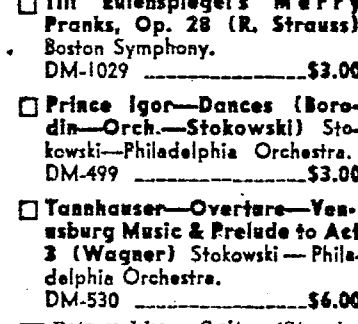


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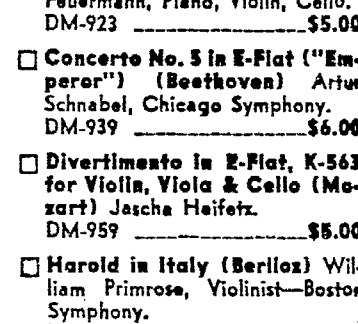


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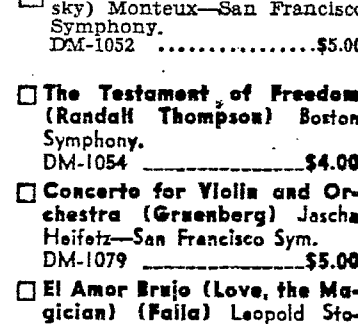
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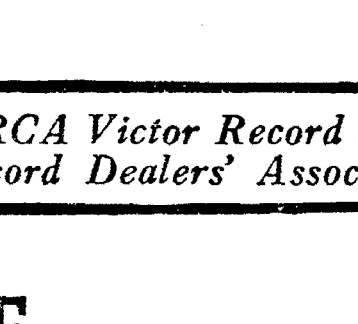
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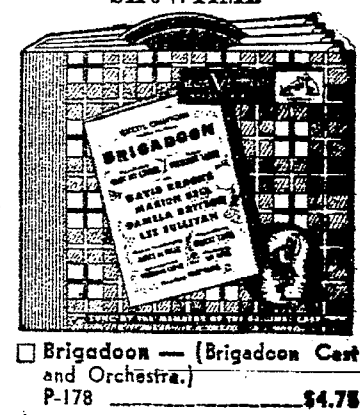
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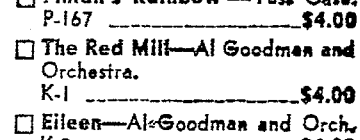
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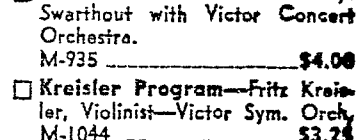
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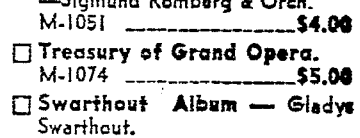
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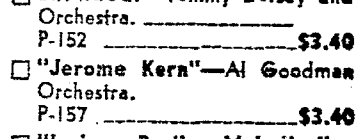
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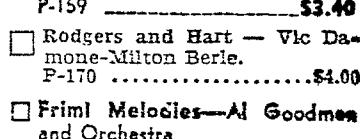
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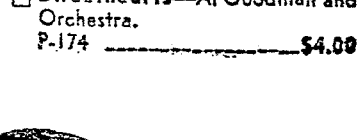
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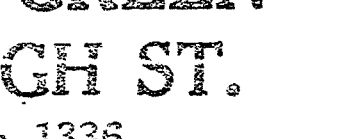
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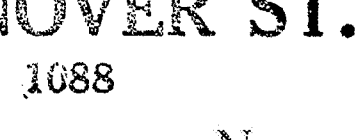
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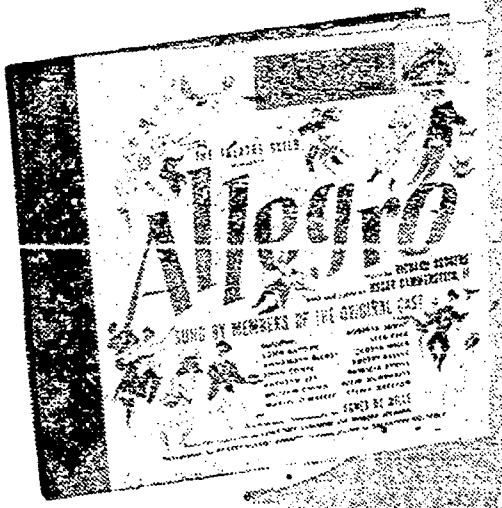
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## Community Christmas Trees Readied For Season in Spring City and Royersford

Community Christmas trees in Twin Boroughs have been bedecked with colored bulbs for the fast approaching Yuletide.

The big evergreen on the lawn of Spring City grade school property, which has been decorated several years as the Community Christmas tree, was lighted for the first time last night. Sponsored by the Women's Library club, funds are provided by the Community chest.

A community carol sing will be arranged for tomorrow night at 7 o'clock. The caroling will be led by the chorus of the Women's club. The tree will remain lighted every night until the day after New Year.

In Royersford, the Legion aids of Capt. Harris Buckwalter American Legion post have decorated a large tree on the post house lawn, which also will be lighted every night during the holiday season.

A community carol sing will be conducted Thursday night at 7 o'clock. The program will include selections by Royersford high school band, directed by Miss Alice Schimpf; vocal numbers by the Triolas, under direction of Mrs. Darwin Buckwalter and remarks by Burgess Ralph H. Landes.

**Heller Home Sold To Campbell Family**

Lewis Campbell Jr., formerly of Church road, Linfield, recently purchased the large home of William F. Heller Jr., Arch and Cherry streets, Spring City. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell moved into their new home the past week. Mr. Campbell is treasurer of the Strunk Steel company, Royersford.

The Hellers are temporarily residing at 172 Chestnut street, until completion of their new home, near Heckel avenue and borough line.

## Twin Boro Classified

**Deaths** 1

**BULLOCK**—In Norristown, on Saturday, Dec. 13, 1947, William Bullock, son of the late Jacob and Emma (Kenne) Bullock, aged 63 years. Services at the Nelson Funeral Home, 331 New St., Spring City, on Wednesday at 2 o'clock. Interment Zion's cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday evening 7 to 9.

**LAMPLUE**—In Hamburg, on Friday, Dec. 12, 1947, Laura Lamplue, aged 55 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services on Tuesday, all services in Honey Brook Methodist church, Honey Brook, at 2:30 o'clock. Interment adjoining cemetery. Friends may call at the Nelson Funeral Home, 331 New St., Spring City, Monday evening 7 to 9.

**MATTIS**—In Philadelphia, on Monday, Dec. 15, 1947, Harry S. Mattis, aged 80 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service at the Nelson Funeral Home Inc., 367 Walnut St., Royersford, on Thursday, at 11 a. m. Interment Fernwood cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Thursday 10 to 11 a. m.

**Card of Thanks** 2

**GARBER**

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**Succumbs**

Former president of Nicaragua who was overthrown by Gen. Anastasio Somoza the past May, died yesterday in Mexico City of a heart attack.

## Green Asks Miners To Reconsider Break With AFL Group

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP)—AFL President William Green today appealed to John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers to "reconsider" their break with the American Federation of Labor.

"The membership of the AFL sincerely regrets the withdrawal of affiliation on the part of the United Mine Workers of America," Green said in a statement.

"The friends of organized labor will be disappointed but the enemies of both the United Mine Workers of America and the American Federation of Labor have been made happy."

"We are passing through a historic period when the need for unity within the ranks of labor is pressing and urgent. Our enemies are united against us. Can we successfully cope with our united enemies by creating division within our own ranks?"

Lewis abruptly withdrew his 600,000 UMW members from the AFL Friday night after a week-long meeting of his international executive board. The action climaxed his bitter fight with other AFL leaders over signing the non-Communist oaths required by the Taft-Hartley act to make unions eligible to use the National Labor Relations board. Lewis alone refused to sign.

Actually, Lewis had stopped paying the \$18,000 a month dues to the AFL after the October convention in San Francisco, at which he fought in vain to force the federation to defy the Taft-Hartley act in its entirety.

## Woman's Club Lists Yule Party Tomorrow

With a group of children from Rivercrest preventorium as guests, the Woman's club of Royersford will hold its annual Christmas party with the December meeting tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock in the First Reformed church social room.

Members of the club have been requested to bring their children and each member is to bring a gift, for the children of Rivercrest. Christmas traditions will be explained by Mrs. Paul S. Krasley. Christmas music will be provided by Mrs. Donald Maier. A Christmas food table will be arranged. Hostesses will be Mrs. William Harbison and Mrs. William Mowrey.

## Miss Truman Offered \$10,000 Weekly Salary

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 (AP)—Margaret Truman was offered her big chance today—Broadway, and at \$10,000 weekly.

Owners of the "Chicken Roost," a Times Square restaurant, wired the White House offering the President's daughter that sum if she would appear there after her Washington concert Dec. 22.

The restaurateurs said they would offer six weeks with options if she consented, and:

"Will also change name of restaurant if you so desire."

Ralph Watkins, one of the owners, said no reply had been received as yet. Explaining the offer, Watkins said:

"My partner and I were sitting around today discussing business. We figured that the way business is we needed something sensational to hike it up. We figured Margaret Truman would fill the bill."

## Chemist Kills Self By Taking Poison

BRYN MAWR, Dec. 15 (AP)—A 31-year-old chemist committed suicide outside Bryn Mawr college today by swallowing poison while waiting in his automobile for his wife, a graduate student at the school, Coroner W. J. Rushong said.

The coroner identified the chemist as John H. Klaber of Norwood, and said the tragedy was discovered by Klaber's wife, Loretta, 29, a former Wac who was attending the college under the G. I. Bill of Rights. Mrs. Klaber said she found her husband sprawled on the rear seat after another student told her Klaber had been waiting since noon.

Klaber was dead on arrival at Bryn Mawr hospital. Where Dr. John Berry said death was due to poisoning. Coroner Rushong said detectives reported they found a vial containing what they believed to be a few grains of poison on the rear seat of the car.

The coroner said two notes also were found in Klaber's pockets but he declined to disclose their contents.

Mrs. Klaber told detectives her husband left for work at the Quaker Chemical Products corporation, in nearby Conshohocken, at the same time she went to class.

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## Italian Securities Ban to Be Lifted

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15 (AP)—The securities and exchange commission announced today it will lift the wartime ban on trading in Italian securities on or about Dec. 22.

The announcement was simultaneous with the filing of a \$131,971,700 registration statement by the Italian government and two of its agencies.

Trading in securities of Axis countries was suspended by all U. S. stock exchanges in December, 1941, when this country was drawn into World War II.

Thereafter the SEC requested

brokers and dealers in the United States not to effect transactions in such securities without first obtaining commission approval, thus preventing a public market for Axis stocks.

When the Italian peace treaty was signed the commission and the State and Treasury department decided that resumption of trading in Italian securities would be appropriate whenever adequate information about offerings became available to the public.

The Italian registration statement covers new securities guaranteed by the Italian republic to be offered in exchange for certain outstanding dollar bonds of the kingdom of Italy, the cities of Rome and Milan and certain Italian corporations and institutions.

**FRANCE PROTESTS**

WARSAW, Dec. 15 (AP)—France protested to Poland today over an assertion by Vice-Premier Wladislaw Gomułka that French Interior Minister Jules Moch had acted in a "hostile manner" in dealing with French strikes.

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### Negro Admits Selling Two Churches Afire

MONROE, Ga., Dec. 15 (AP) — A Negro farmer has confessed burning two Negro churches and a Negro school in Loganville, Ga., Solicitor-General Marshall Pollock said today.

The burnings, which destroyed every Negro church and school in the community, attracted attention because they occurred in Walton county, where the 1946 mass-lynching of four Negroes remains unsolved.

Pollock said the Negro, identified as Isiah Grimes, 27, a farmer, told him he poured gasoline on the buildings and set them afire in revenge. He was charged with arson.

The prosecutor charged Grimes told him he held a grudge against two Negro lodges because his mother did not receive \$180 from lodge-administered insurance policies when her husband died. The money went to an adopted daughter.

Pollock said Grimes explained he burned the buildings so lodge members would have no place to meet. Said Mayor C. H. Byrd of Loganville: "I hope this will show those

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people in England and everywhere else, who have been writing me, that this was not the work of white people. The white people of Loganville are donating cash to build another church for the Negroes here."

**NAVY OFFICIAL DIES**  
BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 15 (AP) — Rear Admiral Rogelio Perez, 52, who recently was designated commander of the Argentine high seas fleet, died in the Naval Medical institute today after a brief illness.

**NAMED TO STATE JOB**  
HARRISBURG, Dec. 15 (AP) — Walter S. Giffing, of Oxford, Chester county, today was named a milk control enforcement investigator, at \$2394 a year by the State milk control commission.

### Gets Senate Okay



The nomination of Jesse M. Donaldson (above) as postmaster general was confirmed yesterday by the Senate. Donaldson, who began as a mail carrier, succeeds Robert E. Hannegan.

### Chinese Sea Pirates Take Loot Valued At Half-Million, Kidnap Six Passengers

HONG KONG, Dec. 15 (AP) — China sea pirates with a yen for Occidental hats swarmed over the Dutch passenger ship Van Heutz, kidnaped six passengers and escaped today in commandeered junks. A ship's officer valued the pirates' loot at a half-million U. S. dollars.

Presumably the buccaneers will hold the six passengers for ransom. Identities of the captives were not known.

Capt. Klass V. Vlieck and officers of the 4522-ton vessel were held as hostages for a time and were forced to leave the ship in a motorboat and a rowboat. Later they were released and allowed to row back to the Van Heutz.

A. H. Elston, director of criminal investigation, said the band of about 25 pirates controlled the vessel for 15 hours. After gaining command of the radio room the freebooters gathered money, jewelry and clothing from the 1600 passengers and crew.

As they searched the ship from bow to stern some of the raiders piled as many as five hats pyramid style on their heads. Meanwhile, their nonchalant chieftain spent a comfortable night in the quarters of Capt. Vlieck. The pirates were dressed in American-style clothes.

The looting occurred, Elston said, shortly after the Van Heutz left Hong Kong on a trip to Swatow, Chinese port about 180 miles northeast of here.

Apparently some of the pirates, disguised as passengers, had boarded the Van Heutz in

### Optimists and Wives Plan Christmas Program

Choral music, an interpretation of the Christmas story and several dramatic readings will highlight the combined Christmas party of the Optimist and Opti-Mrs. clubs in the Elk's home at 6:15 o'clock tonight.

The Christmas story will be interpreted by the Rev. James D. Matchette, pastor of Searles Memorial Methodist church, while the choral music will be sung by the Meister Singers under the direction of Mrs. Norman Lippard.

Elizabeth Koons, director of a local dramatic club, will give several readings.

Members of both clubs will be led in singing Christmas carols by Howard P. Jarvis, and will exchange small Christmas gifts.

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# Foremen's Issue on Labor Act Blasted Apart by Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP)—The Supreme court opened up today a full blown test case on the validity of those sections of the Taft-Hartley act which withdraw union recognition rights from foremen.

It did so by sending back to the Cincinnati Court of Appeals a case in which the Edward G. Budd Manufacturing company was ordered to stop discouraging foremen in its Detroit plant from joining the Foremen's Association of America.

At the same time the court permitted the supervisors' union to enter the case as a directly interested party.

Other questions were involved in the action but the only one the high court considered was the retroactive effect of the new Taft-Hartley law on the National Labor Relations board order against interference with the foremen's union. That also was the only question sent back for consideration when the circuit court takes up the case again.

The Foremen's association, however, made a general attack on the law.

Budd appealed from lower court rulings which upheld the cease and desist order and ordered reinstatement with back-pay for Oscar Owens a foreman discharged in 1944 because of activity on behalf of the supervisors' organization.

Today the high court specifically let stand the reinstatement and back-pay sections of the NLRB order.

The case was re-opened over a point on which the Government itself had given up. The Department of Justice acting for the NLRB in defense against Budd's appeal, had consented to striking out the cease and desist section of the order.

It was largely on that ground that the Foremen's association entered the case, arguing that in view of the position the Government had taken the only real controversy remaining was between Budd and the foreman.

The union argued that the Taft-Hartley act did not take away from foremen the right to NLRB protection against discriminatory discharge. It said further that if the new law does have that effect, then the law itself is unconstitutional.

Budd contended, however, that there is nothing now to prevent Owen from being fired again as soon as he is back on the job.

The Taft-Hartley act, passed the past Summer 20 days after Circuit court upheld the NLRB order, takes supervisory workers out of the classification of "employees" for purposes of the act. It also relieves employers of the legal requirement to bargain with foremen's unions.

The case was handled by the high court without a detailed opinion.

Tea plants grow from sea level up to an elevation of about 7000 feet

## Sennett, Jailed for Murder, Clears Up Weckler Mystery



BUFORD SENNETT

## Five Ministers Are Added to Italian Cabinet

ROME Dec 15 (P)—Five new ministers were sworn into the Italian government tonight and Premier Alcide de Gasperi hailed the action as constituting a "union of force" against the Communist opposition and its allies.

The five new ministers brought to de Gasperi's embattled Christian Democrats the support of the Labor Socialist and Republican parties they were.

Giuseppe Saragat, former ambassador to France and leader of the moderate left Worker Socialist party, formed the past year when it split with Pietro Nenni's pro-Communist Socialists. He became a vice premier.

Randolfo Pacciardi, leader of the leftist Republicans. He was also appointed a vice-premier.

Cipriano Facchinetti, a Republican, named minister of defense.

Ludovico D'Aragnone, Labor Socialist, named minister of posts and telecommunications.

Roberto Tremelloni, Worker Socialist and Milan merchant and industrial employment expert, named minister of industry and commerce.

CROONER LOSES TONSILS

SANTA MONICA Calif., Dec. 15 (P)—Crooner Andy Russell had his tonsils removed today at Santa Monica hospital.

BLUE RIVER, Wis. Dec. 15 (P)—A whispered confession from a man now serving a life sentence for one savage orgy of lust and murder today solved the seven-month search for little Georgia Jean Weckler and united two vicious crimes with the same killer and the same locale.

Buford Sennett, 22-year-old petty thief, was charged with the murder toward a pattern of violence and sudden death, detailed how he flung the drugged, bullet-riddled body of the winsome Fort Atkinson farm child from a bridge here—the same spot where the past month he pitched the body of Carl Carlson into the current.

Sennett was brought from State prison at Waupun to this Grant county village, some 70 miles west of Madison, this afternoon to aid searchers after release of his confession which was obtained by Jefferson County District Attorney Francis Garity at the prison Saturday night. After 40 minutes at the bridge he was returned to Waupun.

George Lehman, a diver who began yesterday to fight the racing, ice-fringed current of the Wisconsin river tributary, had said earlier that "I know there's something there but I can't quite reach it."

The trussed, weighed body of Carl Carlson, young father and medical student at the University of Wisconsin, was taken from the water at the opposite side of the bridge the past month, also at Sennett's direction. He and Robert Winslow, 24, were sentenced to life terms for Carlson's slaying which took place during a night long orgy that also saw Carlson's sister-in-law, a University of Michigan co-ed, raped repeatedly.

The two killers were trapped in an isolated farmhouse and surrendered after a 15-hour silent siege by riflemen.

After stealing the little girl from the lane of her home, Sennett said they returned to Richard Center, his home, where his confederate remained overnight with the child in the woods. She had been given two sleeping tablets, he said. He himself continued to his home in the city, where that night he had a "date with a girl friend."

When he returned to the woods, he found the little girl dead of an overdose of drugs.

"You will find, Mr. Garity, that she was shot," he told the district attorney, "but I know she died from the sleeping pills."

The two men then weighted the body, drove to Blue river and hurled it over the bridge rail, Sennett concluded.

B29S LAND IN GERMANY /

FRANKFURT, Germany, Tuesday, Dec. 16 (P)—United States Air Force headquarters said 10 B29 superfortresses of the strategic air command landed at Fuerstentfeldbrueck air base yesterday after a "routine navigational flight" from America and would stay in Germany for a short period of "routine crew training."

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Food Listings Sliced

MOSCOW, Dec. 15 (AP)

—The 200,000,000 citizens of the Soviet Union found out today what they will have to pay for food, drink and clothing with the new paper rubles their government will issue in its currency reform program for battling speculation and inflation.

Lists were printed showing the retail prices to become effective tomorrow with the end of rationing. At the same time the banks will begin a week-long exchange of new rubles for old on a cash basis of one new ruble for 10 old ones. On money already on deposit in savings banks the exchange rate is one new ruble for one old for the first 3000 rubles two new for three old on the next 7000 and one new for three old on all above 10,000.

The price schedule disclosed that a man's worsted suit will cost 1400 rubles in urban and 1500 in rural areas, and a woman's woolen dress 510 rubles in urban and 560 in rural areas.

The conversion of the ruble is at the official exchange rate of 19 cents. Under this scale a man's worsted suit would cost from \$266 to \$285 in an urban area. Other comparative prices include:

Women's woolen dress, \$96.90 to \$106.40; eggs, dozen, \$2.28 to \$3.12; toilet soap, 75 cents a bar; tea, 88 cents an ounce, and sugar cubes, \$1.99 a pound.

Wages are not affected by the new currency program, and retail prices will be under state control.

(Purchasing power of the average worker and farmer remains the major factor. There were no figures on average wage scales, but a dispatch from Moscow gave 1260 rubles as the monthly income of "an average Russian family" in which the father, a crew foreman in the late department of a factory, got 870 rubles.

The only commodities which will not come under price control will be at co-operative stores and on collective farm markets.

The new price list represented cuts of 10 to 12 percent on bread, flour, cereals, macaroni and beer, compared with the ration store prices. But in a wide variety of other supplies, including milk, eggs, tea, fabrics, footwear and clothing an adjustment was ordered in the "existing high commercial prices" and the prices charged in ration stores.

Some prices remained at the same level, but other increased over the ration store level.

## Prepares Report



U. S. Ambassador Stanton Griffis (above) left by air from Warsaw for London yesterday to report to Secretary of State Marshall on the Polish situation. Griffis intends to go to Washington from London, having been summoned there for consultations.

## Philadelphia Police Raid Numbers Bank

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15 (P)—Vice squad detectives today uncovered what they said was one of the major numbers banks in this section of the country, arrested five men and seized more than a quarter million plays representing at least \$50,000 in a central city office building.

The raid, carried out on an anonymous phone tip, was led by Detective Inspector Craig Ellis who said "This is one of the largest numbers banks we have had for several years."

Police estimated the bank handled close to \$100,000 in daily plays. The five arrested in the Walnut street building were identified as James Santore, 33, Michael Diorio, 26, Joseph Marino, 28, Peter Bonato, 28, and Vincent J. Brandemart, 33, all of Philadelphia.

All were booked on charges of setting up and operating an illegal lottery and conspiracy.

RED TROOPS LEAVE BULGARIA

LONDON, Tuesday, Dec. 16 (P)—The withdrawal of Soviet troops from Bulgaria in accordance with the terms of the Bulgarian peace treaty was completed yesterday, the Russian news agency Tass said today in a dispatch from Sofia, Bulgarian capital.

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## Stassen Demands Grain Speculators Quit Federal Jobs

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (P)—Harold E. Stassen declared today that any "insiders" who may have been speculating in commodity markets "should get out of the Government," and mentioned Edwin Pauley as a case in point.

He demanded, at a news conference, that President Truman publicly list any of them engaged in such transactions.

Stassen candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, said.

"The people of America should know if the President knew about this action, or when he learned about it and what he intends to do about it."

Stassen said Pauley, special assistant to the secretary of the Army, certainly should resign. Pauley has told the Senate appropriations committee that he had traded in the commodity markets but denied he had made use of any information obtained as a Government official.

Tonight Pauley said he will not resign from his position until his job has been finished.

Stassen declared that "Pauley is not the only one."

He said he believes a congressional investigation will show "a pattern of operations" by individuals which followed the Government's program of buying scarce food commodities.

Chairman Bridges (R-NH), of the Senate appropriations committee, held an hour-long conference with Secretary of Agriculture Anderson late today and promised fresh developments in the investigation of grain speculation within the next 24 hours.

Tagua nuts furnish vegetable ivory which competes successfully with synthetic materials.

## Texas Astronomers Report New Comet in Skies Sunday

CHICAGO, Dec. 15 (P)—Astronomers here reported today they had spotted for the first time in the Northern Hemisphere the comet first seen flashing across Southern Hemisphere skies the past week.

Gerald P. Kuiper, McDonald observatory director, in a telegram to the University of Chicago, joint operator of the observatory with the University of Texas, said the comet was observed at McDonald at 8.11 p. m. Sunday. Kuiper described the comet as "new" and said its tail measured

one degree, or 1/360 of a circle, in length. The comet was estimated to be across the disc of the sun. Astronomers have estimated the tail to be up to 75,000,000 miles long. The comet has not yet been identified. If new, it will be the 14th such discovery this year.

COAL MINER KILLED

LARGE, Dec. 15 (P)—Charles Bedell, 69, was killed tonight when caught under a fall of coal in an abandoned mine near here, the coroner's office reported. Bedell was mining coal for his own use at the time of the accident.

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# Holiday Decorations Create Atmosphere At Meeting in YWCA

Red and white tapers, two Christmas trees shimmering with Christmas colors and a mantle of the season's greens served as appropriate holiday decorations last night at a meeting of the Business Girls Club of the YWCA in the YW club room.

Mrs. Mildred Myers, president, presided at the meeting.

The Christmas story was read by Mrs. Irene Houser. Mr. Gordon Shanabrook sang "Silent Night" and "De Canta Noel" accompanied by Mr. Robert Kickline, pianist.

Pennsylvania Dutch readings also were given in a humorous manner by Mrs. Arthur Emery.

Christmas carols were sung by the group with Mrs. Houser as accompanist at the piano. Mrs. Sarah Brockway led the singing.

A thank you note from the Welfare society was received. Appreciation for the Thanksgiving baskets donated by the club was expressed in the note.

Santa Claus was also present and added to the holiday atmosphere.

Refreshments were served on attractively decorated tables. The visitors consisted of small white candles placed in varied colored jars placed on red and green colored paper discs. Life savers attached to the gumdrops served as angles.

The music and social committees are in charge of the program. Mrs. Brockway is chairman of the music committee and her aides are Mrs. Allan Savage, Mrs. Houser, Miss Estelle Barna, Miss Ann Barna, Miss Florence Bernhart, Mrs. Kathrynanner and Miss Doris Jane Dankel.

Mrs. Ruth Mitchell is chairman of the social committee. Her aides are Mrs. Leona Wilhelm, Mrs. Mabel Good, Mrs. Mabel Weidner, Miss Ruth Moser, Mrs. Pauline Witman, Miss Denkel, Mrs. Betty Weikel and Miss Helen Hirtzko.

The next meeting will be held Dec. 29 at which time Fun night will be staged under the direction of the gift and floral committee with Mrs. Grace Rader as chairman.

Aides on the committee are Mrs. Emily Zern, Miss Moser, Mrs. Dorothy Trolinger, Miss Nellie Koury, Miss Anna Barna, Mrs. Brockway, Mrs. Pearl Houck and Mrs. Lillian Kiles.

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# WOMAN'S PAGE CLUB NEWS

## Norco WCTU to Stage Christmas Party Tomorrow in Church

Members of the North Coventry WCTU will stage their annual Christmas party tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock for children in Parkerford Baptist church.

Mrs. F. Newton Prizer will act as hostess. Mrs. Chester Tyson, president, is also general chairman of the party.

"Safeguard the Nation Through Peace" is the theme of the devotionals which will be led by Mrs. Harry Frick.

Mrs. Enos Fryer is chairman of the program committee. Her aides are Mrs. Scauffer Wiant and Mrs. S. Russell Prizer. Mrs. George Mohler will be assisted by Mrs. Leroy Steffen on the gift committee.

Refreshments will be served under the chairmanship of Mrs. Wilbert Rinehart.

There will also be special gifts for children, together with the adult gift exchange.

Parents and children of the WCTU were urged to attend the party.

## Blowing Balloons for Benefit Ball



It takes more than a lot of wind to prepare for the Junior Service League's Green and Silver ball, but Mrs. Robert E. Jefferies, 639 King street, puts plenty of "oomph" into one of the balloons that will provide a gala atmosphere for Friday night's dance at Brookside Country club. Mrs. Richard L. Rosendale, 345 King street, hangs one of the balloons on a Christmas tree. Mrs. Rosendale is chairman of the decorations committee and Mrs. Jefferies is one of her aides. The ball is a charity benefit.

## Norco PTA to Hold Christmas Operetta Tonight in School

Parents and friends are invited to attend the North Coventry PTA meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium when children of the four North Coventry elementary schools will present their annual Christmas operetta, "A Wooden Shoe Christmas."

Miss Verna M. Orrs, supervisor of music, is in charge of the program with the aid of Mrs. Ann Knauer, Mrs. Madeline Lamore, Mrs. Anne Prizer, Mrs. Irma Gordon, Mrs. Sara Hacker and Mrs. Kathryn Rothenberger, teachers of the elementary schools.

The accompanist for the evening will be Miss Venice E. Eagle, pianist.

## L. Ray Weil to Wed Virginia Robenolt

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Robenolt, of 611 North Hanover street, announced the engagement of their daughter, Virginia, to Mr. L. Ray Weil, of 766 Queen street. Saturday night at a party given in honor of Mr. Robenolt's birthday anniversary.

The bride-elect is employed in the office of the Vaughan Knitting company and Mr. Weil is employed in the office of the Birdsboro Steel Foundry and Machine company.

No wedding date has been set.

## HOSPITALS

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Admitted: Mrs. Doris Diffenderfer, South Pottstown, maternity; Clair Zimmerman, Royersford, surgical; Mrs. Ruth Pinder, Stowe, maternity; Raymond Haas, Pottstown RD 4, surgical; Cecil Showers, Perkiomenville, surgical; Jacob Stuffer, Royersford, surgical; Gail Weiler, 326 Beech street, medical; Thomas Dolan, Royersford, surgical; Shirley Kirk, Pottstown RD 4, surgical; Woodrow Davidheiser, Pottstown RD 1, surgical.

Discharged: William Bechtel, 435 High street, surgical; Charles DeHuff, Royersford, surgical; Richard Wentzel, Stowe, surgical.

**MEMORIAL**

Admitted: John Lanko, Boyertown, medical; Annabelle Burkert, Boyertown, surgical; Lettie Martin, Schwenksville, medical; Jane Moyer, Pottstown RD 2, surgical.

Admitted and discharged: Edwin Howard, 330 Chestnut street, surgical.

## Brownie Scout Troop 11 Makes Christmas Gifts

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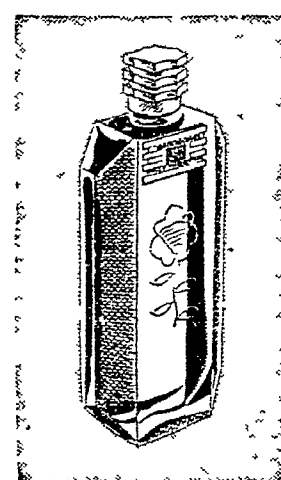
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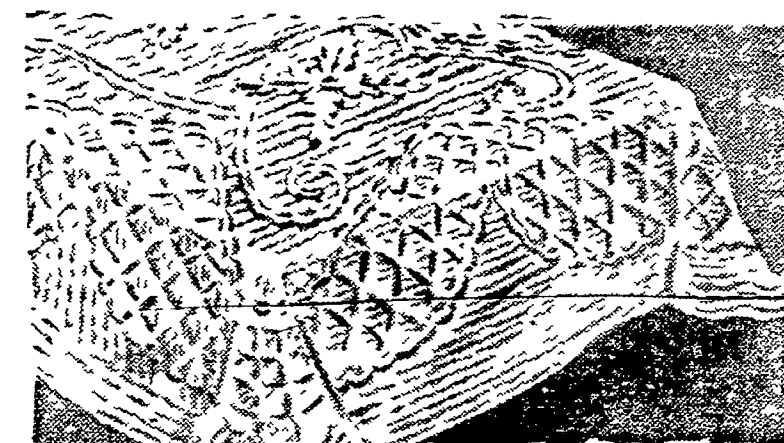
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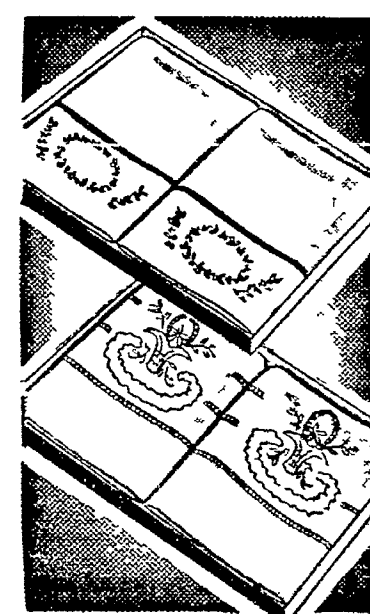
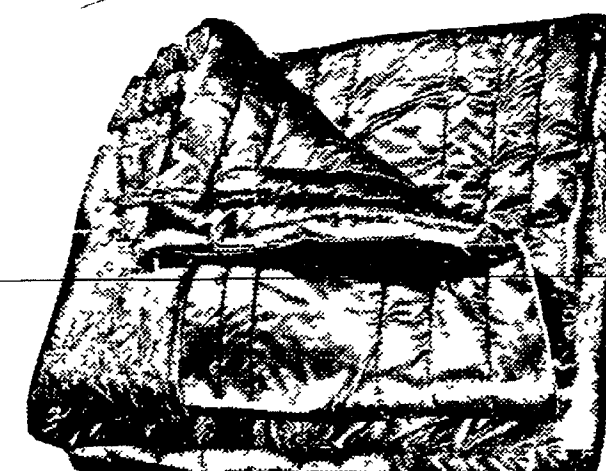
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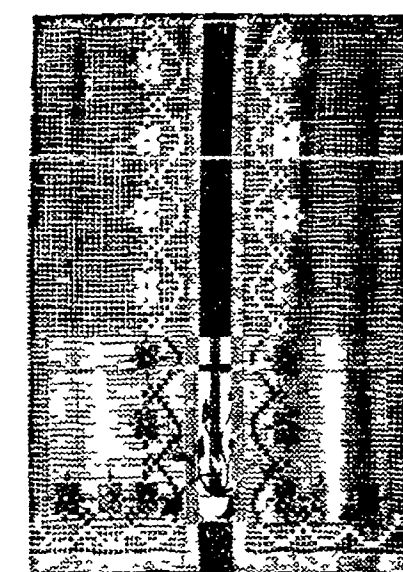


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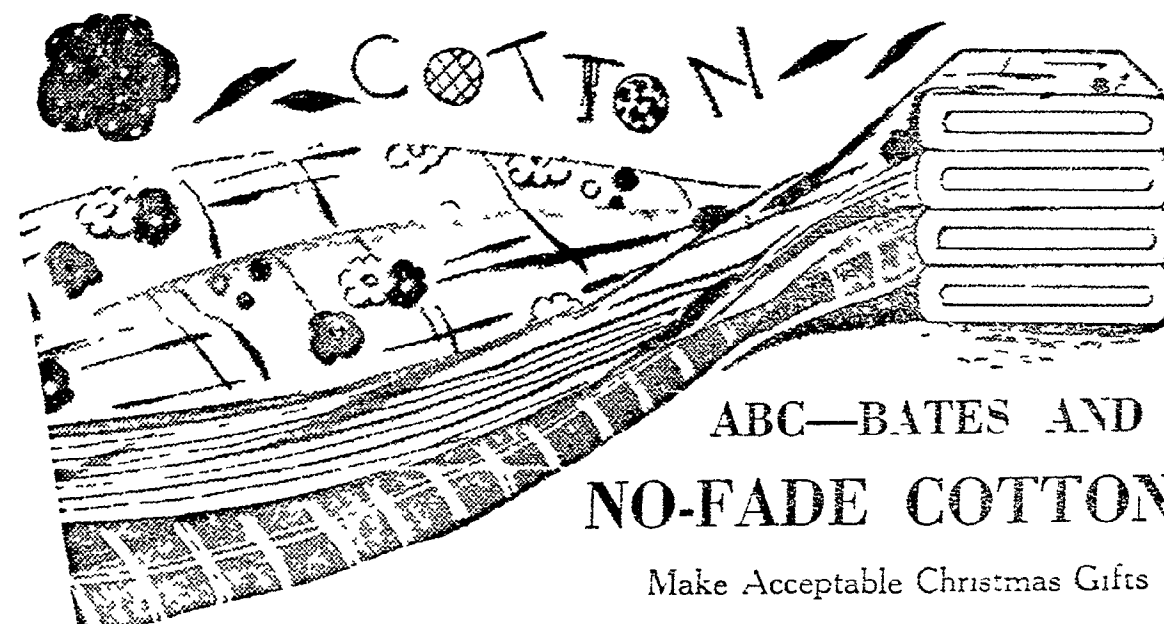
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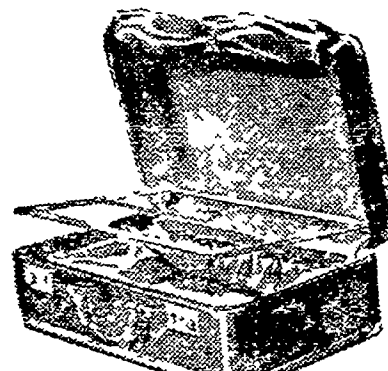
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Mrs. Mildred Myers, president, presided at the meeting.

The Christmas story was read by Mrs. Irene Houser. Mr. Gordon Shanabrook sang "Silent Night" and "De Santa Noel" accompanied by Mr. Robert Kieckhefer, pianist.

Pennsylvania Dutch readings also were given in a humorous manner by Mrs. Arthur Emery.

Christmas songs were sung by the group with Mrs. Houser as accompanist at the piano. Mrs. Sarah Brockway led the singing.

A thank you note from the Welfare society was received. Appreciation for the Thanksgiving baskets donated by the club was expressed in a note.

Santa Claus was also present and added to the holiday atmosphere.

Refreshments were served on attractively decorated tables. The avors consisted of small white androps placed in varied colored androps placed on red and green colored paper discs. Life savers attached to the gumdrops served as andles.

The music and social committees are in charge of the program. Mrs. Rockway is chairman of the music committee and her aides are Mrs.illian Savage, Mrs. Houser, Miss ettie Barna, Miss Ann Barna, Miss lorence Bernhart, Mrs. Kathryn haner and Miss Doris Jane Dankel.

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The next meeting will be held Dec. 29 at which time Fun night will be staged under the direction of the gift and floral committee with Mrs. Grace Rader as chairman.

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# Woman's Page CLUB NEWS

## Norco WCTU to Stage Christmas Party Tomorrow in Church

Members of the North Coventry WCTU will stage their annual Christmas party tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock for children in Parkerford Baptist church.

Mrs. F. Newton Prizer will act as hostess. Mrs. Charles Prizer, president, is also general chairman of the party.

"Safeguard the Nation Through Peace," is the theme of the devotionals which will be lead by Mrs. Harry Frick.

Mrs. Enos Fryer is chairman of the program committee. Her aides are Mrs. Stauffer Wand and Mrs. S. Russell Prizer. Mrs. George Mohler will be assisted by Mrs. Leroy Steffey on the gift committee.

Refreshments will be served under the chairmanship of Mrs. Wilbert Rinehart.

There will also be special gifts for children, together with the adult gift exchange.

Parents and children of the WCTU were urged to attend the party.

## HOSPITALS

**POTTSTOWN** Admitted: Mrs. Doris Duffenderfer, South Pottstown, maternity; Clair Zimmerman, Royersford, surgical; Mrs. Ruth Pinder, Stowe, maternity; Raymond Haas, Pottstown RD 4, surgical; Cecil Showers, Perkiomenville, surgical; Jacob Stuffer, Royersford, surgical; Gail Weiler, 328 Beech street, medical; Thomas Dolan, Royersford, surgical; Shirley Kirk, Pottstown RD 4, surgical; Woodrow Davidheiser, Pottstown RD 1, surgical. Discharged: William Bechtel, 435 High street, surgical; Charles DeHuff, Royersford, surgical; Richard Wentzel, Stowe, surgical.

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## MARRIAGE LICENSE

Application for a marriage license was made at the Montgomery county courthouse, Norristown, by: Lewis M. Atkinson, Malvern, and Grace A. Conner, Stowe.

## Blowing Balloons for Benefit Ball



It takes more than a lot of wind to prepare for the Junior Service League's Green and Silver ball, but Mrs. Robert E. Jefferies, 639 King street, puts plenty of "oomph" into one of the balloons that will provide a gala atmosphere for Friday night's dance at Brookside Country club. Mrs. Richard L. Rosendale, 345 King street, hangs one of the balloons on a Christmas tree. Mrs. Rosendale is chairman of the decorations committee and Mrs. Jefferies is one of her aides. The ball is a charity benefit.

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The accompanist for the evening will be Miss Venice E. Eagle, pianist.

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Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Robenolt, of 611 North Hanover street, announced the engagement of their daughter, Virginia, to Mr. L. Ray Weil, of 766 Queen street. Saturday night at a party given in honor of Mr. Robenolt's birthday anniversary.

The bride-elect is employed in the office of the Vaughan Knitting company and Mr. Weil is employed in the office of the Birdsboro Steel Foundry and Machine company.

No wedding date has been set.

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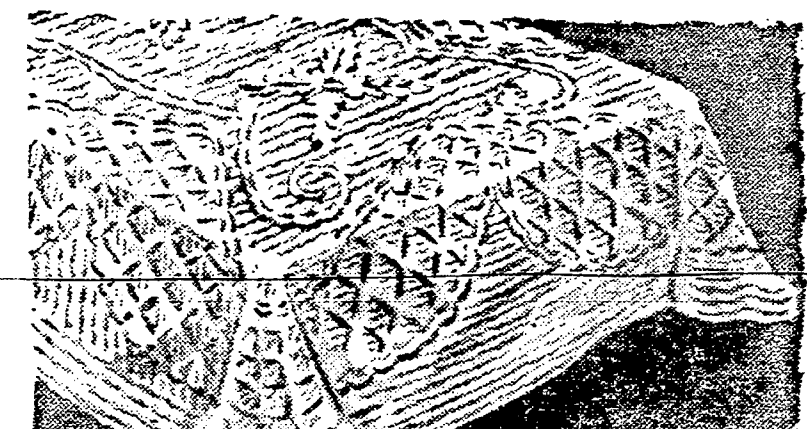
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*Downstairs*

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ON THE AIR TUESDAY

| MORNING |                 |                |                 |
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| Time    | NBC 1060 K      | CBS 1210 K     | ABC 560 K       |
| 6:00    | Morning Salutes | Jamboree       | Songs of Plains |
| 6:15    | News            | Jack Day Sings | Jack Day Sings  |
| 6:30    | Y. D. 1060      | Rural Digest   | Mac McGuire     |
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| 7:00    | Musical Clock   | News: Weather  | Mac McGuire     |
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| AFTERNOON |                 |                 |              |
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| Time      | NBC 1060 K      | CBS 1210 K      | ABC 560 K    |
| 12:00     | Babe Millerland | W. Warren: News | Glenn Miller |
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| EVENING |              |                 |               |
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| 6:00    | News: Talk   | J. Reeves: News | 6 P. M. Extra |
| 6:15    | News: Sports | J. Reeves: News | 6 P. M. Extra |
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12 Persons Injured In Newark Explosion

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 15 (AP)—Explosion shattered a building of the Celanese Corporation of America in the heart of Newark's heavily-industrialized ironbound section today, injuring at least a dozen persons.

At St. James hospital, a spokesman said at least eight persons brought into the emergency room appeared to be in "serious condition." Police at the scene said they knew of no fatalities.

The blast demolished a brick wall on Magazine street, peppering the area with a barrage of bricks and debris. A pall of dust hung over the area as firemen played streams of water on the building to prevent fire.

Plant officials said the damaged building manufactured transparent films. The blast exposed a twisted and torn hopper, and a maze of pipes and cable.

Police said they had a plea for "all the ambulances we can get," and city hospital, which handles emergency calls, dispatched two to the scene. The injured were taken to St. James hospital, the nearest to the scene.

The fire department dispatched four engines, two hook-and-ladder trucks and a rescue squad to the ruptured plant.

Cause of the explosion was not immediately determined.

Legionnaires to Head Vets' Funeral Group

Two members of the George A. Amole post of the American Legion have been elected to head the combined funeral committee of five Pottstown veterans' organizations for the next three months. It was announced yesterday.

Earl F. Newton, past commander of the Legion post, was elected chairman of the committee, while Robert H. Breidenbach, 74 South Kelm street, was elected secretary-treasurer.

The election was held Sunday at the Legion home, Franklin and Klam streets, with representatives of all five groups present. The organizations represented were the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Jewish War Veterans, the Amvets and the Marine Corps League.

Defense Counsel Seeks New Trial for Slayer

SUNBURY, Dec. 15 (AP)—Defense Counsel John L. Papp Jr. said today he would petition for a new trial for Paul Sabo, 23, of Shamokin, convicted the past week of second degree murder in the fatal shooting of his sister-in-law.

Sabo was charged with entering the Shamokin home of Margaret Zanders, 35, the past June 13 and shooting her in her bedroom, culminating a series of family quarrels.

Glasgow Sewer Project To Be Completed Soon

Sewer construction on Glasgow street is near completion, with work starting yesterday on the remaining 600 feet north of Berks street.

The project was originally planned to stop at Berks street, but at the request of approximately six property owners north of the street, the work was continued.

Retain Milk Price Level, York Area Producers Ask

YORK, Dec. 15 (AP)—Milk producers in the York-Lanaster marketing area asked the Milk Control commission at a hearing here today to continue the present 20 cents per quart price of milk for another three months.

Petition for continuance of the current price rate was presented by the York County Milk Dealers association. No protests were registered against the petition.

Under the milk commission's current season price scale for the area, milk remains at \$5.50 per hundredweight and 20 cents a quart for October, November and December, and drops for the next three months to \$5.10 per hundredweight and 19 cent a quart.

Lt. Knight's Portrait Is Unveiled by Bar

NORRISTOWN, Dec. 15—A portrait of the late Lt. Harold G. Knight Jr., who was killed in action on May 8, 1945 in the Pacific area, was unveiled today during the annual memorial services of the Montgomery Bar association in Courtroom B.

Lieutenant Knight, a naval officer, was the only one of 38 members of the bar in service who was killed in action.

The young attorney's memory was eulogized by Attorney Louis M. Childs, 2nd, Attorney Henry S. Miller and Attorney Victor J. Roberts.

Communist Forecasts New Greek Government

LONDON, Tuesday, Dec. 16 (AP)—The Soviet news agency Tass said today in a dispatch from Rome that Nicholas Zachariades, Greek Communist leader, had predicted in a radio broadcast that "the creation of a free democratic government in free Greece is a matter of the next few days."

Air pressure at sea level is about 2100 pounds per square foot.

**NOAH NUMSKULL**

OVERDO! DOES IT PICK UP CAT? HAIR!

DEAR NOAH WILL THE NEW CARPET SWEEPERS HAVE STREAMLINED FENDERS AND MORE PICK UP?

JOSE MCCUE BUFFALO, N.Y.

DEAR NOAH WHEN YOUR CAR RUNS INTO A SNOW BANK, DO YOU JUST LET IT DRIFT? MRS. ME SHOUT CUMBERLAND, MD.

SEND YOUR ACTIONS TO "NOAH" (Continued on King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

It's Queer But True

**ROARING MOUNTAIN, YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK**

WYOMING, IS A GENERATOR OF HYDROGEN SULPHIDE, OR "ROTTEN-EGG GAS."

**SCRAPS**

THE FIRST RUGBY FOOTBALLS WERE INFLATED BLADDERS.

HOW LONG HAVE GERMS LIVED IN A SEALED TEST TUBE?

22 1/2 YEARS.

A WIDE-EYED STARE ON THE FACE OF A CHINESE EXPRESSES HIS ANGER.

ROOM and BOARD by Gene Ahern

SO THE LAD CAME DOWN WITH THE MEASLES AND HAS THE SHIP MODEL UP IN HIS ROOM WITH MY \$1000 HIDDEN IN A SPACE UNDER THE BOAT DECK. I HAD TO TELL MY VOICE TO SOMEONE I COULD TRUST OR I'D GO DAFT!

Y'KNOW WHAT?—IF A TOUSAN CAN GIVE YUH DAT MUCH WORRY AN TROUBLE, THINK WHAT A FIX YUH'D BE IN IF YUH HAD A MILLYUN!

RIGHT, JUDGE—YOU'RE HAPPIER BROKE.

The Old Home Town by Stanley

I WON'T SAY IT IS—OR I WON'T SAY IT AIN'T—BUT I KNOW IT MUST BE INDIGESTION!!

SUFORD, SPEAK TO ME!!

WHEN THE WIFE'S AWAY WITH THE SKIFF—HE PLAYS! STANLEY

TODAY'S Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

- Support
- Musical instrument
- Narrow roadway
- Culture medium
- A dull red marble (Belg.)
- Groups of three
- Burns
- Poker stake
- Foot-like organ
- Audience
- Electrical Engineer (abbr.)
- A star
- Whirls
- Small apertures
- Hurried
- Conjunction
- Unhappy
- Walk through water
- Not worse
- Backbone
- Poverty-stricken
- Ireland
- Anxiety
- Spreads grass to dry
- Pieces out DOWN

**DOWN**

- Level
- Emmet
- Color
- At home
- Exhibits
- Noble women
- Head covering
- Location of the Taj Mahal
- Shower carrying
- Complaint
- Tear
- Searches for
- Perched
- Veneration
- Pen point
- Cubic meter
- Mosquito
- Yellow fever
- Arid
- Terrible
- City (Okla.)
- A hard wood
- Type measures

**Yesterday's Answer**

1. Support  
2. Musical instrument  
3. Narrow roadway  
4. Culture medium  
5. A dull red marble (Belg.)  
6. Groups of three  
7. Burns  
8. Poker stake  
9. Foot-like organ  
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21. Poverty-stricken  
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24. Spreads grass to dry  
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32. Head covering  
33. Location of the Taj Mahal  
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45. Terrible  
46. City (Okla.)  
47. A hard wood  
48. Type measures

**TIM TYLER'S LUCK**

THERE'S ANOTHER NEAR, TUSKER! I HEARD A FAINT VOICE CALLING.

GRAB HIM, TUSKER—HURRY—HURRY!

**MUGGS McGINNIS**

EIGHT WHAT?!

**ETTA KETT**

THANK YOU, MR. TALON, FOR AN EXCELLENT DINNER. YOU CERTAINLY TREAT YOUR CUSTOMERS FINE HERE.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE THE ART GALLERY? WE ARE QUITE PROUD OF IT!

WHAT AN EXCELLENTLY DONE LANDSCAPE!

NOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO MEET THE MAN RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THIS? A MOST REMARKABLE MAN, INDEED, IS OUR SENOR SOMBRERO!

**BIG SISTER**

NO, THERE'S NOT A THING MISSING FROM THE HOUSE, EVERYTHING'S WHERE IT SHOULD BE.

MR. COX WASN'T HERE TO ROB THE PLACE!

SAY! LOOK! WHEN WE CAME IN I UNLOCKED THIS DOOR SO WE COULD LEAVE THIS WAY.

YOU DON'T MEAN IT'S LOCKED, DO YOU?

IT'S NOT ONLY LOCKED—THE KEY IS GONE!

**BARNEY GOOGLE & SNUFFY SMITH**

WHAT ON AIRTH MADE THAT THAR BEDSTID RUN OFF WIF VE, BLUNDERBUSS?

JUST WHAT I FIGGERED, SNUFFY—A VALLER YANKLEY WJZ UNDER IT—'I THANKED HIM FER TH' RIDE—WIF A LOAD O' BUCKSHOT

HAW—HAW! I BET WE UNDS DON'T SEE THAT SHIFLESS SKONK NO MORE

IF VE DO, HE'LL HAVE HIS HANDS FOLDED ACROSS HIS CHIST

YOU MUST BE SNUFFY'S COUSIN!!

**TOOTS AND CASPER**

CASPER, THERE MUST BE SOME WAY COLONEL HOOVER CAN LEARN THE IDENTITY OF THE BABY THAT WAS LEFT WITH THEM.

THE POLICE MIGHT HELP HIM LOCATE ITS PARENTS, TOOTS.

ON THE OTHER HAND, IF THE BABY IS LOST, WHY HAVEN'T ITS PARENTS NOTIFIED THE AUTHORITIES?

CASPER, I'M A LONE WOLF—I SHALL SOLVE THIS MYSTERY MYSELF, AND FOR PERSONAL REASONS I'M NOT STICKING MY NOSE AROUND ANY POLICE STATIONS!

I'M THROUGH WITH BEING A BABY SITTER! I DON'T OBJECT TO MINDING THEM IN THE DAYTIME, BUT IF I HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT 'EM NIGHTS TOO, THEN I QUIT!

**MICKEY MOUSE**

NO, SIR, I REFUSE TO BELIEVE THERE IS ANY SUCH CRITTER!

PLEASE, GOOFY—EEGA BEEVA WANTS TO BE FRIENDS!

SEE? HE LIKES YOU!

THERE AIN'T NO SUCH THING!

PREZZENTS?

CAN'T BRIBE ME TO BELIEVE IT!

PSN!FF! PSN!FF!

**FELIX THE CAT**

TONIGHT I'LL WATCH THE FIGHTS

WHAT A PALOOKA!

HE'S A PHONY—A FAKE—A—



# Trojan Quintet Travels to Face Easton foe Tonight

## GOOD TO START SAME TEAM IN NON-LOOP TILT

Pottstown Cagers Seek Second Win; J. V. Game Begins at 7:15 o'Clock

Having repaired their battered armor after dividing a pair of battles at home, the Trojans of Pottstown High embark for Easton tonight for a redoubtable foe, the Easton High quintet, in another non-league cage tilt. A junior varsity fray, scheduled to start at 7:15 o'clock, will precede the main event.

The Trojans' opponent tonight is one of two up-state schools remaining on the Pottstown basketball schedule—the other being Lebanon, Allentown and Bethlehem have been dropped this year.

Easton, a member of the Eastern Penn. Interscholastic league, plays a fast game of basketball and will give the Trojans a lot of trouble tonight. The Trojans, however, after giving Reading a hard fight before losing by four points, are prepared to meet some tough competition before their league season.

The Trojans will go into tonight's game with an even record—one victory and one defeat. The victory came over a scrappy Ambler High five in the opening game of the season, and the defeat came at the hands of Reading the past Friday night at the Pottstown Junior High palestra.

In their first two games, the Trojans have rolled up a total of 82 points, 41 coming in each contest. The six players who have seen most of the action thus far are all close in the scoring. No individual holds a big lead in the scoring column.

Coach Ed Good revealed that the Trojans don't know too much about the Easton club, except what the local boys remember from the past year. Still, however, the Trojans are expected to put up a good battle against their up-state opponents.

Easton, always a tough opponent even if it holds a low standing in its league, will probably be on the rebound from its past game which it lost to a strong Allentown Central Catholic High quintet.

Good announced last night that he would probably stick to his same starting lineup. If no changes occur shortly before game time, the same five boys that took the floor against Reading will start tonight. This would have Captain Stan Stolar and Don Ziegler stationed at the forward position, with Brower Yerger holding down the duties of center. Playing in the backcourt at the guard spots will be Bobby Mauger and Johnny Celani. For reserve power, Good will have Gene Fecak, George Rath, Norm Sunstrom and Frank Formando.

Coach Bill McCabe was doubtful about naming a starting team for the Easton fray tonight. The probable starting lineup was announced as having Ralph Spare and Homer Rorer at forwards, Joe Pollock at center, and Bob Dobry and Rogers at guard.

**CAPTAIN ELECTED**  
EASTON, Dec. 15 (AP) — Dan Kovacs of Catsaqua, a back on the eleven that won six and lost three games this fall, tonight was elected captain of the 1948 Lafayette college football team.

**SEASONS TOP CROWD**  
Largest crowd of the Penn State football season was the 53,000 which turned out for the season's finale against Pittsburgh.

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Open 'til 9 P.M. Tonite

## URW Falls Under Amvets, 32-27; Transfiguration Cops 2d Victory

The Amvets, defending their City Basketball league title, moved into a tie for first place last night with the Pottstown Tool and Engineering company quintet with a 32-27 win over URW 336 in the second game of a double-header at the Pottstown Junior High palestra.

In the first game of the twin-bill, Transfiguration advanced into fourth place by defeating the 7th Ward Shamrocks, 45-27.

The Amvets got their first taste of tough competition last night when they were forced to come back strong in the second half to defeat the United Rubber Workers quintet. The URW combine, trailing by four points in the first period, tallied seven in the second frame to deadlock the score at intermission, 11-11.

The defending champs regained the lead in the second period by points, but the URW cagers couldn't stop the Amvets in the final period as they rallied for 13 counters to ice the decision.

Jack Kurtz set the pace for defending champs with 11 points via four field goals and three fouls.

The first game was also decided with a second half rally, Transfiguration tabbing 32 points in the last two periods to down the Shamrocks, 45-27. The Shamrocks, losers of two straight games, surprised Transfiguration by taking a 14-13 halftime advantage.

Faced by Vince Meyers, who scored 11 points, and Bob Kirby, who tallied 13, Transfiguration broke loose for 12 points in the third stanza before going on to tally 20 more in the final 10 minutes.

Amvets URW 336  
Sowers, f 1 0 2 Kummer, g 1 0 2  
Kurtz, f 4 3 11 Bowler, f 4 1 1  
R. Kurtz, f 0 0 0 Eckrote, c 0 3 3  
Anderson, c 2 2 6 LaPish, c 2 1 3  
Francis, c 0 0 0 Eckert, g 2 0 4  
Wautzer, g 0 0 0 Berger, g 0 0 0  
Shaner, g 2 2 6 Jones, g 0 0 0  
Missimer, g 1 1 3 Myers, g 2 0 4  
Totals 12 8 32 Totals 11 5 27

Amvets URW 336  
Sowers, f 1 0 2 Kummer, g 1 0 2  
Kurtz, f 4 3 11 Bowler, f 4 1 1  
R. Kurtz, f 0 0 0 Eckrote, c 0 3 3  
Anderson, c 2 2 6 LaPish, c 2 1 3  
Francis, c 0 0 0 Eckert, g 2 0 4  
Wautzer, g 0 0 0 Berger, g 0 0 0  
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**Championship Bout Postponed One Month**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 15 (AP) — The world lightweight title bout between champion Ike Williams of Trenton, N. J., and Bob Montgomery of Philadelphia, originally scheduled at Madison Square Garden Jan. 16, was postponed today until Feb. 20 at the titleholder's request.

Sol Strauss, acting director of the 20th Century Sporting club, said Williams asked for the postponement because he preferred not to be burdened with training during the Christmas holidays.

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## LOCAL HUNTERS KILL 63 DEER IN '47 SEASON

11 Hunters Report of Late Kills; Five Women Successful This Year

The total number of deer killed by Pottstown and surrounding area hunters climbed to 63 last night when 11 hunters made late reports of their killings. Of the 11 hunters reporting last night, one was a woman.

Mrs. Ted Slaybaugh, Ringing Hill, became the fifth local woman to report killing a deer during the 13-day deer season in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Slaybaugh bagged her deer, a 125-pound doe, Saturday in Clinton county while with her husband. She needed only one shot to bring down the animal, which was only 20 steps away.

Clarence Boyer, 321 High street, revealed he bagged a 115-pound doe Saturday in Clinton county, while Jacob March reported killing a 7-point buck the past Friday in Pike county.

March, a 13-year-old boy who lives at 26 High street, made sure of his kill by firing three shots into the back. The first shot hit the deer in the heart, the second shot landed in the back and the third shot was in the neck.

March was hunting with Russell Mauger, Thomas Conwell, Violet Conwell, Dan March, Bill Bernhart, Carl Eudy and Russell Haag. Mauger and Bernhart reported killing two doe Saturday in Pike county.

Charles Lawrence, St. Peter's, bagged a 115-pound doe Saturday in Potter county while hunting with Lester Monks, Hildale; Phillip Reintrauer, St. Peter's; Art Heimbach, 900 High street, Pottstown; Ken McCulley, St. Peter's; and Bill Hartman, Elverson. All returned home with a doe and each one tipped the scales in the vicinity of 115 pounds. Heimbach's doe weighed around 130 pounds.

## New Pro Conference To Keep Eight Teams

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 (AP) — All-America conference owners decided today that the same eight cities which made up the infant pro football circuit in 1947 and attracted 2,038,487 customers were good enough and strong enough for the 1948 campaign.

While the owners spent the day behind locked doors in executive session, rumors were rampant in the hotel corridors that the Brooklyn franchise might be transferred, possibly to Dallas, Tex. But William D. Cox, executive vice president of the grid Dodgers, left the session long enough to say that "Brooklyn definitely will be in the conference next year."

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—Mercury Staff Photo

Women as well as men reported of their success during the past deer season as can be seen above. Mrs. Ted Slaybaugh, Ringing Hill, looks over the 125-pound doe which fell from one shot from her gun in Clinton county Saturday. She was one of five local women to bag a deer this year.

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| COLLEGIATE              |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Purdue                  | 50 Pittsburgh 27        |
| Catholic U.             | 37 Towson Techs 33      |
| South Carolina          | 71 Newberry 30          |
| Westminster             | 60 Millers 8 Techs 32   |
| Duke                    | 59 Hampden Syd'ey 45    |
| Youngstown              | 62 Gannon of Erie 45    |
| Geo. Washington         | 37 Davidson 40          |
| Purman                  | 54 Georgia Tech 33      |
| Toledo                  | 65 Springfield, Mass 48 |
| Kalamazoo               | 45 Adrian 44            |
| Mt. St. Mary's          | 66 Baltimore U 47       |
| Manassas                | 46 DePaul 44            |
| Duquesne                | 50 Bowling Green 44     |
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## FIRST BAPTIST LOSES BY 28-23 TO EMMANUEL

St. Peter's Win Over First Methodist; Spacht Tabs 25 Points

Emmanuel Lutheran took sole possession of first place in the YMCA-School Basketball league last night following a 28-23 conquest of First Baptist on the YMCA floor. It was the second straight win for Emmanuel, who won over First Methodist the past week by forfeit.

In the second game, St. Peter's dumped First Methodist by a 41-34 score with a 27-point rally in the second half.

Emmanuel, one of the strong powers in the league, took a three-point advantage in the first period, but a second-period rally by First Baptist tied the score at intermission, 8-8.

Both teams fought to take an advantage in the third period, but the quarter ended with both teams scoring eight points and the score still deadlocked at 16-16. Then in the fourth quarter, Emmanuel found the range and zipped the cords for 12 markers while the Baptist combine was having trouble in netting seven.

St. Peter's, who lost to First Baptist the past week, found First Methodist leading by one point at halftime, despite an 11-point rally in the second period led by Bob Spacht. Spacht got hot in the second half and paced an attack that netted 27 points for St. Peter's. The big center tacked 12 field goals and one foul for 25 points.

| First Baptist |         |
|---------------|---------|
| Leveille, f   | 4 0 8   |
| Boughter, f   | 0 0 0   |
| Herbst, f     | 1 3 3   |
| Saltzer, c    | 0 0 0   |
| Mauger, g     | 0 0 0   |
| Scotch, g     | 0 0 0   |
| Roads, g      | 0 0 0   |
| Mignosa, g    | 0 0 0   |
| Supplee, g    | 0 0 0   |
| Totals        | 13 2 28 |

| St. Peter's |         |
|-------------|---------|
| Leveille, f | 4 0 8   |
| Boughter, f | 0 0 0   |
| Herbst, f   | 1 3 3   |
| Saltzer, c  | 0 0 0   |
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| Totals      | 13 2 28 |

| Methodist    |         |
|--------------|---------|
| Baird, f     | 3 1 7   |
| Schaeffer, f | 3 1 7   |
| Spare, c     | 2 0 4   |
| Rover, g     | 1 0 2   |
| Dillman, g   | 3 1 7   |
| Schultz, g   | 2 2 6   |
| Totals       | 15 4 34 |

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## BEARS BATTLE AMITY QUINTET IN LOOP TILT

Coach Bob Fleming and his Bears from Boyertown High have survived their first two battles this year, but the Red and Black cagers from Berks county will have tough going from here on.

The Bears play host to a strong Amity High quintet tonight, and the visitors hold one big victory in the Northern division of the Berks county league already. The Amity five scored an overwhelming 48-18 win over Fleetwood High the past Friday night.

Boyertown will be playing its first league game tonight, but the Bears are expected to have a warm welcoming for Amity. Fleming's charges opened their season defeating Royersford, and just the past week, the Bears turned back a strong Alumni foe.

The Boyertown mentor will probably stick to his same starting lineup that started the two previous contests. Dick Rothenberger and Tony Albrecht will be at the forward posts while Freddie Smith and Jack Rothenberger will team in the backcourt. The center duties will be managed by Dick Neuman.

A preliminary contest is scheduled to be played prior to the varsity contest. The battle of the junior varsity quintets will start at 7:15 o'clock.

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# SPORTS

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## Falcons Meet Warwick Foe; 2 Changes Made in Lineup

With two changes in the starting lineup, West Pottsgrove High's basketball team will go after its first victory of the season tonight when it plays host to Warwick High at West Pottsgrove.

The Falcons opened their season the past Friday night by losing to a strong Alumni quintet by a 37-33 score. The Falcon junior varsity will get its first taste of action tonight in a preliminary contest scheduled to start at 7:15 o'clock.

Coach Bill Gohsen announced last night that there would be two changes in the Falcons starting lineup tonight. Mike Ferenz and Joe Dori have been elevated to starting berths and will get their chance to show their wares tonight. Ferenz will be filling in for Bill Wilkinson and Dori is replacing Jack Hampton.

Ferenz, six-foot lad, earned a varsity letter the past year when he played practically every minute of every game for the Falcons. He also won a varsity letter two years ago as a sophomore.

Dori, a junior, saw action on the junior varsity squad the past year and also played a little varsity ball. He was used as a reserve man against the Alumni the past week.

The remainder of the lineup will remain the same with Steve Sabo teaming with Dori at forward. The center will be Al Stauffer and working with Ferenz in the backcourt will be Sam DiGiosia.

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Counsel for Neill Asks New Trial

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15 (AP)—George Neill, 22-year-old ex-Marine convicted of murdering his 11-year-old niece, today asked for a new trial through his attorney.

Harry M. Berkowitz, Neill's counsel, filed the motion and claimed the verdict of a jury of nine women and three men was unjust. The attorney said the trial had been marred by errors of the court and by "prejudicial" actions of the prosecution.

Neill's sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Mallon, whose daughter, Isabelle, was the murder victim, said the verdict of death in the electric chair was "entirely just."

"My husband and I talked it over," Mrs. Mallon said, "and we both decided that my brother got what was coming to him."

Neill admitted strangling little Isabelle on an empty lot but pleaded insanity at his trial.

Mrs. Mallon said her brother "would have saved everybody a lot of trouble" if he didn't try to prove he was insane.

"I know my brother too well for that," she said. "He wasn't insane. All my life I've known him as a liar."

Boy Dies; Early Christmas Too Late

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15 (AP)—Little Jody Anselmi left on a long trip to the country today. That's the way the doctor put it. His twin brother and his sister.

But his hospital card read "Died: Joseph Michael Anselmi. Age 3½. Cause: Leukemia."

Smiling little Jody, robust and healthy a few weeks ago, then unexpectedly doomed to die of a dread and mysterious disease, received thousands of letters, Christmas cards, get-well greetings and gifts from persons who saw his picture in the newspapers.

Jody smiled, played and waited for the mailman.

The other day, when doctors told Mr. and Mrs. Michael Anselmi their boy probably wouldn't live until Christmas, they planned a special Christmas—Sunday, Dec. 14. But yesterday instead of a Christmas tree, there was an oxygen tank. Instead of Santa Claus, a priest came to see him.

When he died today the hospital switchboard still was buzzing with calls from his host of unknown friends. Postmen still were arriving with loads of gay packages and cheery cards.

Hallowell to Be Tried On 2d Murder Charge

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15 (AP)—William K. Hallowell, 23-year-old convicted slayer of a Philadelphia policeman, will go on trial tomorrow in Quarter Session court for the killing of a second officer.

The adopted son of a child psychologist, who was convicted by a jury the past Oct. 2 of the murder of Patrolman James J. Quigley, the past April 23, won a recommendation for mercy and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

In the latest trial, Hallowell is accused of slaying Sgt. Samuel H. Hewitt. Hewitt and Quigley were killed in an exchange of gunfire with Hallowell after a stolen car chase through North Philadelphia streets the past April.

Maritime Unit to Press Oil Tankers into Service

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP)—The Maritime commission announced tonight it has completed arrangements for putting into operation all its idle tankers which are commercially usable.

Officials said this should help in meeting the oil shortage. All remaining government-owned tankers available for commercial use have now been authorized for sale, the commission said, making total tanker sales 464.

American buyers have received approval for purchase of 324 tankers.

Foreign purchases were listed as 140 tankers.

Reports Say Foodstuffs Are Spoiling in Greece

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP)—The American economic mission in Greece will investigate complaints that about \$4,500,000 worth of foodstuffs has spoiled in Greek government warehouses because of failure to distribute it, state department officials said tonight.

They said representatives of Dwight Griswold, American administrator, would look into the complaints, made by the Piraeus league of merchants.

Rescue Crews Find Body of Flood Victim

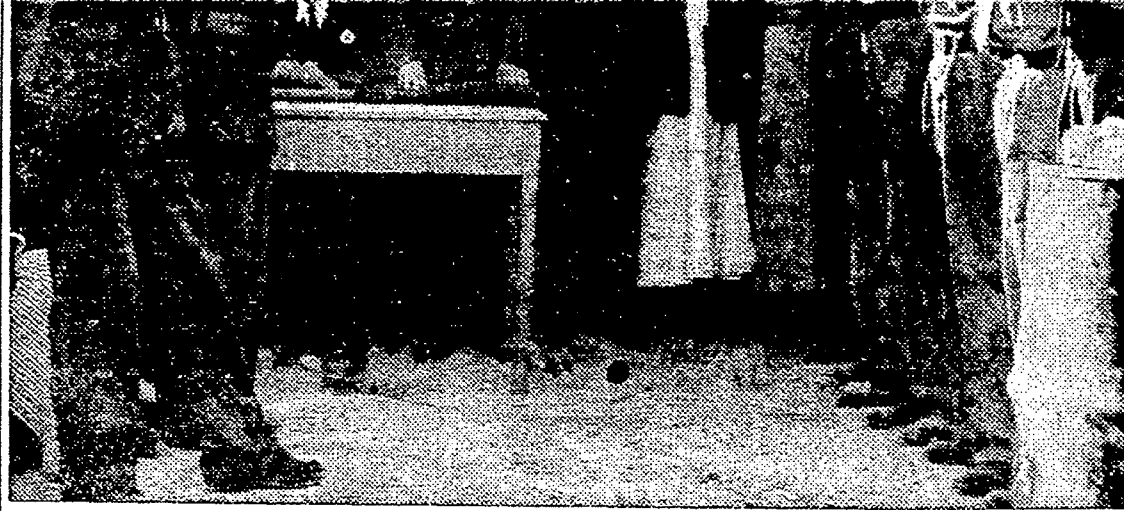
SHAMOKIN, Dec. 15 (AP)—Rescue crews today recovered the body of Raymond Edmunds, 54, the second victim of a mine flooding the east Thursday in a home-made coal hole step nearby Gowen City mountain.

Thousands of gallons of water and tons of muck had to be removed from the shaft before the body of the Shamokin miner was reached.

The body of the other victim, Anthony Gracosi, 43, also of Shamokin, was recovered Saturday more than 100 feet below the surface.

Waived Jury Trial

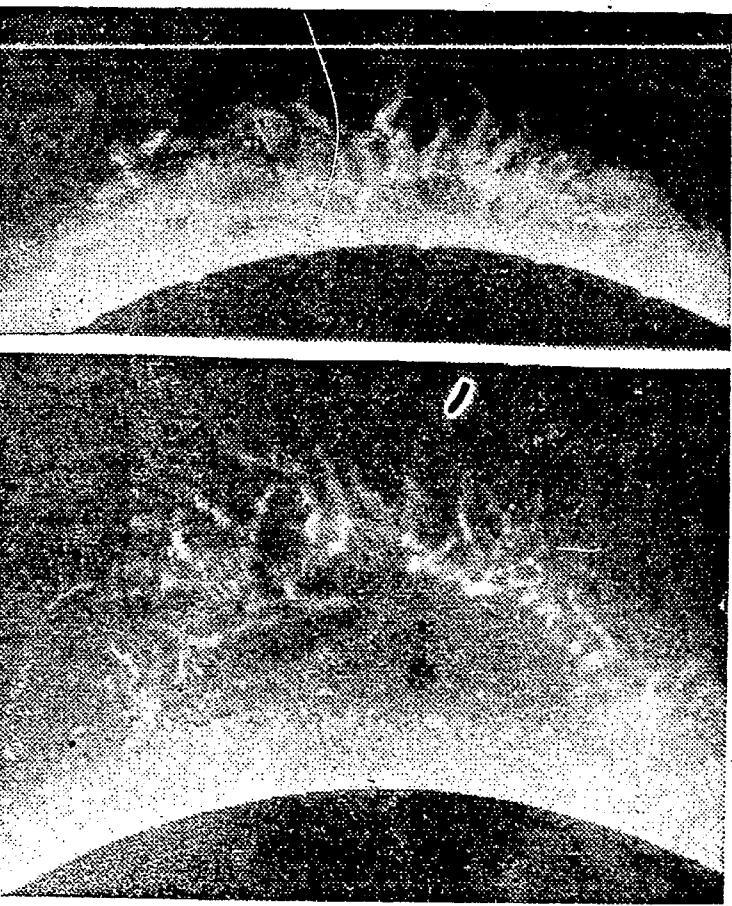
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 15 (AP)—Herbert K. Sorrell, head of the AFL Conference of Studio Unions, and eight other leaders of the current 15-month movie strike waived a jury trial today on charges of conspiracy to disobey court orders regulating picketing.



A GATHERING OF ARAB YOUTH at Lifta village, near Jerusalem, is addressed by Abou Saud, who calls for volunteers in the threatened holy war against the partition of Palestine. Seated at table is Kemal Ureikat, leader of the Arab youth organization. Military leaders of the Arab League are reported to have met in Cairo to draw up "battle plans" for the holy war, which would start when the British depart.



CHIEF RUSSIAN DELEGATE to the United Nations, Andrei A. Gromyko is giving up his present modest quarters in New York City and moving into the Park Avenue mansion shown above. The imposing structure was bought for \$1,000,000 this year by the Soviet government.



THESE RARE PICTURES show the record-breaking explosion that last year hurled flaming, gaseous material over a million miles above the sun's surface. Top, flaming gas arcs above the rim of the sun (black). Below, the arc rises higher, eventually reaching 1,064,185 miles. The photos were made over a two-week period at Mount Wilson Observatory in California. Measurements were completed recently.



A PROMINENT ACTORS' AGENT, Walter Kane is carried by his Hollywood home after attempting to commit suicide by swallowing a box of sleeping pills, according to police. Apparently changing his mind after taking the pills, Kane telephoned his physician to "get here in a hurry." The suicide attempt was attributed to "despondency."



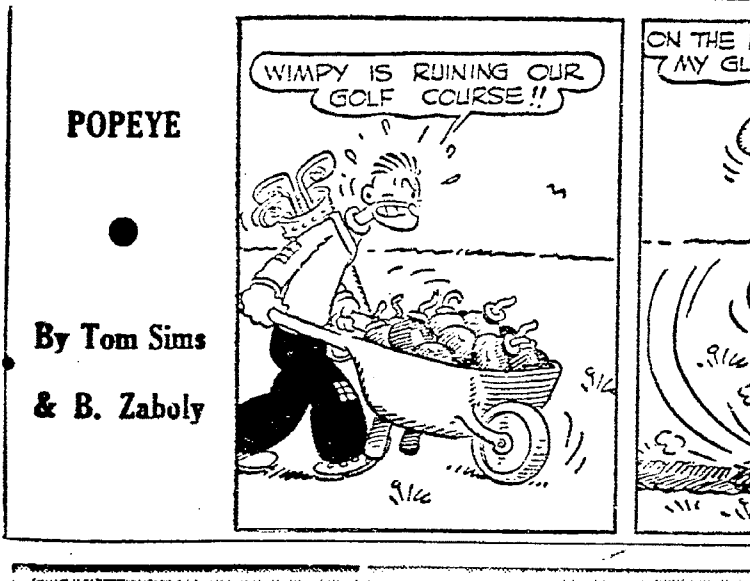
"LITTLE BOY BLUE" plays happily in his bath at Chicago orphanage while officials try to locate the person who abandoned him in a movie theater.



HOLDING his entire fortune \$150 in pennies—little Johnnie Fagan, 9, smiles for the cameraman after his arrival in New York aboard the Marine Flasher. A war orphan, Johnny doesn't know his parents or his nationality. He adopted his name from an American Lieutenant, one of many Yanks who befriended him in Germany. The U. S. Committee for Child Care brought him to this country.



HEAD KEEPER at the National Zoological Park in Washington, Frank O. Lowe, feeds two baby polar bears a few days old. The cubs, weighing a pound each, have been snubbed by their mother. Zoo officials say they have little chance of survival unless the mother changes her mind about feeding them.



THE BOTTLE TAKES A LICKING when "Fred," a San Francisco cat, gets his paws on one filled with milk. Feline Freddie has a firm grip on the bottle (left) as he downs its contents. At right, taking a breather, he snacks his lips—as he meows—purrrrrr-lect.



A BRITISH CUSTOMS OFFICER wears the waistcoat and jacket, lined with 290 watches, which were worn by George Goefrey, 32, a French diplomat, when he landed at the London airport. Claiming diplomatic immunity, Goefrey refused to be searched. During the prolonged questioning, however, he started perspiring and collapsed, unable to stand the weight of the contraband. He was given a year in prison.



AFTER WINNING \$26,000 in a soap company's slogan contest, Mrs. Dorothy Oliver (left) was forced to move out of her Marblehead, Mass., home with her husband and daughter to escape insistent phone calls from persons with things to sell.



STUNNED by the loss of the fire-ravaged Seio, Ohio, pottery, which had become world famous by its unique experiment in management-employee relations, townspeople by the score are working to remove the debris and help rebuild the plants. The pottery was the town's sole industry and source of its unprecedented prosperity. Loss was estimated at \$2,000,000 and there was no fire insurance on the plants.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Deaths**  
CLAY - On Friday, Dec. 12, 1947 Rachel L. (nee Rhoads) wife of Alban Clay, aged 75 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from her late home, 432 Walnut St., Pottstown, Pa., on Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 2 p. m. Interment in Mt. Zion cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday evening 7 to 8:30. (Houck)

FILMAN - At Warwick, Pa., Sunday, Dec. 14, 1947, Anne, wife of Oscar N. Filman, in her 67th year. Funeral services private at Mauger's Funeral Home, 24 Monument Ave., Malvern, Pa., Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 1:30 p. m. Interment Mt. Zion cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday evening 7 to 9. (Mauger)

LEVENGOOD - On Saturday, Dec. 13, 1947, Georganna (Binder) Levengood, wife of the late William B. Levengood, aged 74 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the funeral home of Wesley O. Harley, 404 High St., on Tuesday at 2 p. m. Interment in Falkners cemetery. Swamp. Friends may call Monday evening 7 to 8:30. (Harley)

WEISER - On Sunday, Dec. 14, 1947, James, son of Thomas E. and Dorothy M. (nee Wenzel) Weiser, aged 1 year. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Houck's Funeral Home, 112 N. Washington St., Pottstown, on Thursday, Dec. 18, at 10 a. m. Interment in Brownback's cemetery. Chester Co. Friends may call Wednesday evening 7 to 9:30. (Houck)

**In Memoriam**  
ERB - In loving memory of PFC Homer F. Erb, killed in action on December 16, 1944. Another year has passed, and we miss you more and more each year. We try to be brave and content, just as you were the day you went. Sadly missed by Wife and Sons.

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**THE MERCURY'S CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING SECTION CLOSING AT 8 P. M. (Day Before Publication)**

**Farmer's Market**  
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15 (AP)—Apples were about steady on the Philadelphia wholesale produce market today with Pa. and N. J. varieties quoted at \$2.00 to \$2.50 a bushel. Other prices: Broccoli, Pa. bu., \$1.25. Broccoli, N. J. crts., \$2.00 to \$2.50. Carrots, Pa. bu., \$2.00 to \$2.50. Cauliflower, L. I. crts., \$1.50 to \$2.00. Cranberries, N. J. 14 lb. crts., \$1.00 to \$1.50. Parsnips, Pa. 1 lb. bsk., \$1.00 to \$1.50. Parsnips, N. J. 1 lb. bsk., \$1.00 to \$1.50. Potatoes, Pa. 50-lb. sacks, \$1.25 to \$1.50. Spinach, Pa. 10-lb. crts., \$1.00 to \$1.50. Sweet potatoes, N. J. hmps., \$2.00 to \$2.50. Turnips, Pa. and N. J. bu., \$1.00 to \$1.50. White potatoes, 100-lb. sacks, Pa., \$3.00 to \$3.50.

**LANCASTER LIVESTOCK**  
LANCASTER, Dec. 15 (AP)—Cattle, 2009: market steady with Virginia and western cattle predominating. Choice steers, 10 to 12, \$3.30; Hogs 1070, bulk of receipts are heavyweights; Sheep 168, all grades stronger.

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|                 | High | Low | Ave.   |
|-----------------|------|-----|--------|
| White           |      |     |        |
| Fancy large     | 77   | 68  | 69 1/2 |
| Fancy medium    | 68   | 67  | 67 1/2 |
| Extras large    | 78   | 68  | 67 1/2 |
| Extras medium   | 66   | 65  | 65 1/2 |
| Standard large  | 68   | 64  | 65 1/2 |
| Standard medium | 65   | 63  | 64     |
| Pullets         | 63   | 60  | 61 1/2 |
| Pee wees        | 55   | 55  | 55     |
| White           |      |     |        |
| Fancy large     | 78   | 67  | 69 1/2 |
| Fancy medium    | 68   | 65  | 65 1/2 |
| Extras large    | 78   | 68  | 67 1/2 |
| Extras medium   | 66   | 64  | 64 1/2 |
| Standard large  | 65   | 64  | 64 1/2 |
| Standard medium | 63   | 63  | 63     |
| Pullets         | 62   | 57  | 60 1/2 |
| Pee wees        | 55   | 55  | 55     |

Total Cases—1127.

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## Government Levels Monopoly Charge at United Shoe Firm

BOSTON, Dec. 15 (AP)—The United Shoe Machinery corporation—described by the Justice department as the only firm in this country able to equip a shoe factory completely—was accused of being a monopoly today by the Government.

Attorney General Clark filed a civil suit in U. S. District court under the Sherman Anti-Trust act seeking to compel the USMC to sell some of its plants and to reveal to competitors "all patents and know-how relating to shoe machinery."

Asserting United manufactures more than 90 percent of the most important types of shoe machinery, Clark charged the corporation's alleged monopoly "has destroyed the independence of the shoe industry of the United States."

The United Shoe corporation in Boston denied the charges and asserted the United States Supreme court had upheld and even praised its policy of leasing machinery instead of selling it.

Such a policy, the USMC said in a statement, "has made machines available to even the smallest shoe manufacturer, who would otherwise have been obliged to raise a large amount of capital even to start his business."

Declaring it intended to fight the Government's civil suit, the USMC said:

"In few industries is business open to so many small manufacturers on such easy terms with as little investment as in shoe manufacturing."

Assistant Attorney General John R. Sonnett, whose anti-trust division is handling the suit, said in a statement that United had acquired 4172 patents since 1930 and was using only 363 of them.

Sonnett accused the firm of compelling manufacturers to use obsolete shoe machinery and preventing reductions in shoe manufacturing costs by the use of modern machinery.

The Justice department suit seeks to force United to "offer to sell its machinery to shoe manufacturers instead of only leasing, as it does now."

Further, it seeks to compel the corporation to sell all its plants used in manufacturing of shoe factory supplies and some of its plants manufacturing shoe machinery and tanning machinery.

The complaint alleged specifically that United had acquired the assets of "its principal competitor," General Shoe Machinery company, "by subterfuge."

## Mother, Three Children Perish in Farm Fire

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP)—A 40-year-old mother and three of her six children burned to death early today as fire destroyed their two-story frame farmhouse in East Finley township, 15 miles southwest of here.

The dead were identified as Mrs. Martha Kabaugh Ealy, her two sons, George, 15, and Wright, 13, and a daughter, Gertrude, 8.

Her husband, Wayne Ealy, suffered burns of both hands and a back injury as he carried Elmer, 3, and led Mary Ellen, 10, to safety. Another daughter, Wilma, 16, sprained an ankle as she leaped from a second story window.

Ealy's sister, Martha, 42, who lived with the family, sounded the alarm when she was awakened by smoke. Authorities said the fire apparently came from an open grate.



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## Heroine Remembered



Swathed in weird bandages, Wanda Schickling, 22-year-old Minneapolis Sunday school teacher, who was burned helping save 28 small children from a flaming bus, looks over gifts and messages from well-wishers at hospital where she is reported recovering.

## 25 Contractors Vie For Hospital Contract

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 15 (AP)—The Army Engineers disclosed that between 20 and 25 contractors already have shown "a surprising interest" in the projected 475-bed veterans hospital at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., for which bids were advertised.

Cost of constructing the hospital has been reckoned at between \$3,000,000 and \$9,000,000. Bids are to be opened here Feb. 2 for advertising purposes. The names of firms interested in bidding on the contract were not disclosed by the Army.

**PILOTS REINSTATED**  
SHANGHAI, Tuesday, Dec. 15 (AP)—Shanghai's 22 harbor pilots, whose licenses were suspended in a wage dispute the past month, are returning to work under an agreement allowing them home leave, optional contract renewal and provision for future wage adjustments.

## Commercial Teacher Quits Norco High School Post

H. Burnis Fellman, a teacher in the commercial department of the North Coventry High School, will leave his post Jan. 20, 1948, to accept a similar position in the Allentown High School.

The resignation was announced last night by supervising principal Paul H. Grim, who said that no replacement has been chosen.

Fellman, a graduate of the Bloomsburg State Teachers college and a native of Allentown, has taught in the Norco school for the past two years.

**AMBASSADOR ARRIVES**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 15 (AP)—Alexandre S. Panyushkin, 42-year-old pre-war division commander in the Soviet army, arrived today in the United States to take up his duties as new Russian ambassador to Washington.

## Social News

### Lodge Auxiliary Plans Christmas Party for Tonight

A regular business meeting and Christmas party will be held tonight at 8 o'clock by members of the Ladies auxiliary of St. Gabriel's lodge in the club room of the lodge. Mrs. Mary Tuani, president and chairman of the social committee, will be aided by the following: Mrs. Edna Mariani, Mrs. Grace Giori, Mrs. Josephine Basile and Mrs. Margaret Lunghi.

It was also announced that those desiring to register for the children's party to be held on Dec. 21, should contact Mrs. Helen Fantana, 514 West Race street, Mrs. Evelyn DiJolia, Vine street, Stowe, or Miss Madeline Ottaviano, 441 Cherry street, no later than today.

To remove tea or coffee stains from china cups, rub them with a damp cloth dipped in baking soda.

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## Social Calendar

**Girl Scout Troop 6 of First Methodist Church**—Christmas party for mothers tonight in the church. Scouts will arrive at 5 o'clock and mothers at 7 o'clock. Gifts will be exchanged.

**Wesleyan Sunday School Class of First ME Church**—Christmas party tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Caroline Keim, 109½ High street.

**Lady Oriole Drill Team**—Meeting tonight at 7 o'clock in the High school gymnasium.

**Dames of Malta Committee**—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Catherine Roedermeil, 49 Beech street.

**Pottstown Women's Club**—Christmas party tonight at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Ada Beekley, 62 Cherry street.

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## Collegeville Community Club Plans Rummage Sale

A Christmas meeting was enjoyed by the Collegeville Community club recently in the Hendricks Memorial building, Collegeville, at 8 p. m. There was a short business meeting.

**South Hanover street.** All members were urged to attend this meeting.

**Women's Association of First Presbyterian Church**—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock for White Gift Workshop service. Officers will be installed.

**Lincoln PTA**—Children's Christmas party today at 2 o'clock at the Lincoln school.

**Wyndcroft PTA**—Christmas meeting today at 1:30 o'clock in the school.

**Dorcas Class of St. Paul's Reformed Church**—Christmas party tonight in the home of Mrs. Ruth Derstine, Hilldale.

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at which time it was decided to hold a rummage sale on Dec. 18. Mrs. Wells McCormack announced that the club's Men's night on Nov. 20 was a success.

The club voted to donate \$10 for Christmas kits for the men at Valley Forge, and \$10 toward the Collegeville community Christmas party, which is to be held on Dec. 26.

Each member brought a gift for the children at Rivercrest. Mrs. Otto Schoenley thanked the members and invited them to attend the children's Christmas program on Sunday, Dec. 21, at 2:30 p. m. Booklets on "The Legend of the Christmas Plants" were distributed by Mrs. John Rowiana. They had been donated to the club members by Charles J. Franks.

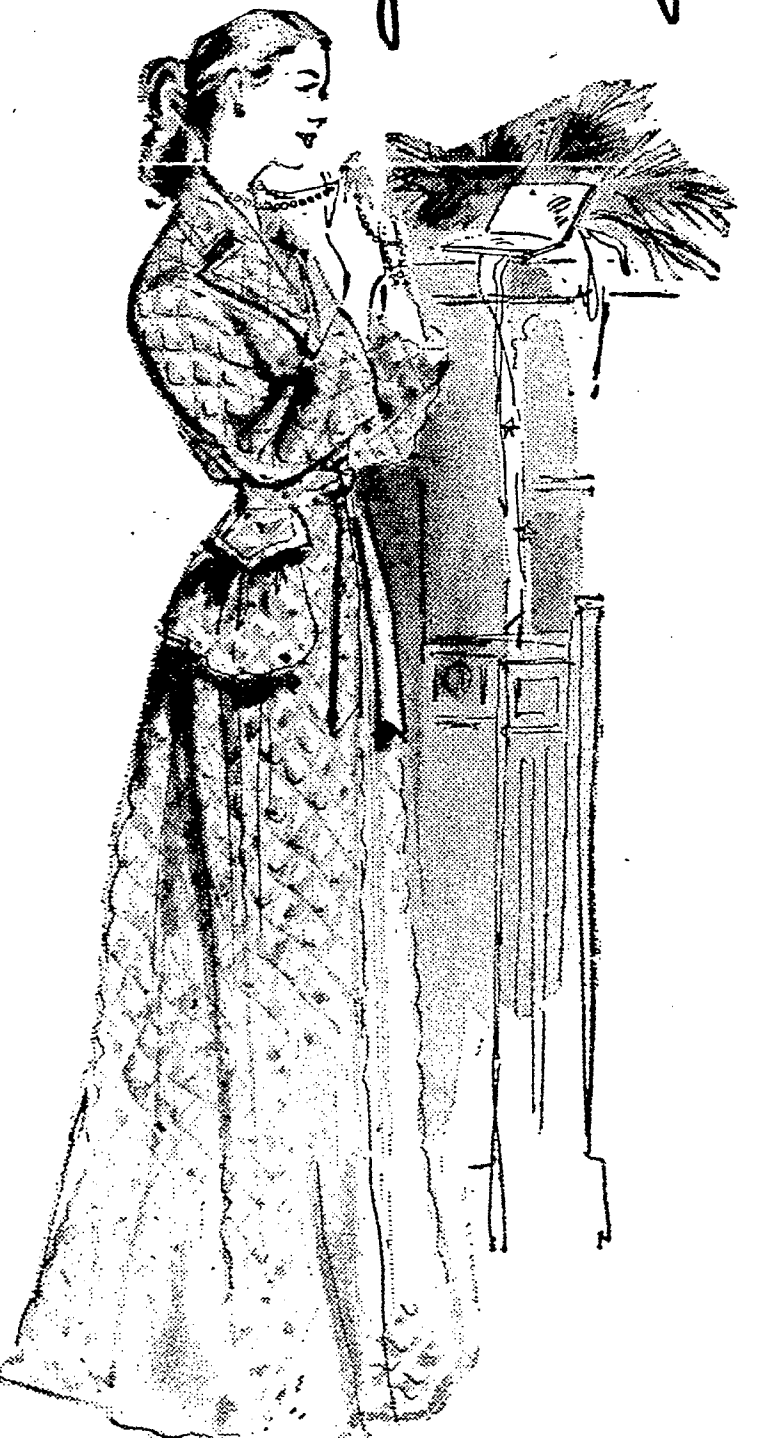
After the close of the business meeting, the club members were entertained by Mr. Franklin W. net, vocalist; Mr. D. L. Heffner, vice president of Ursinus college, who gave a reading, and the chorus which led all the club members in group singing of Christmas carols.

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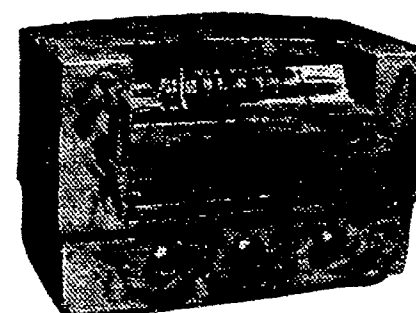
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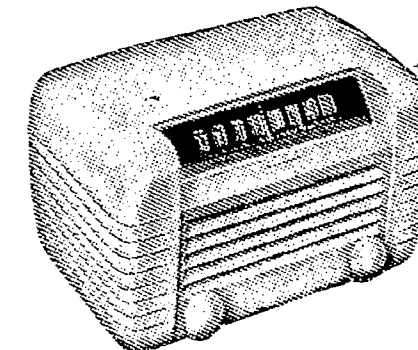
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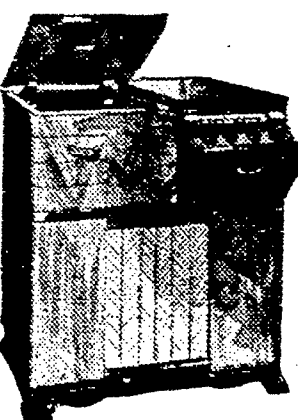
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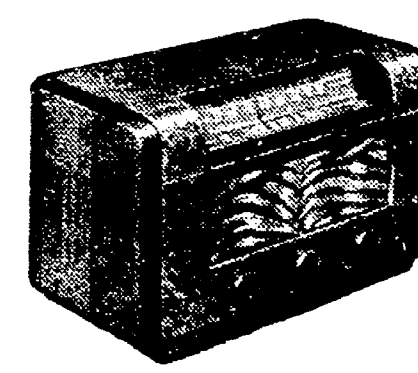


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